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PARTNER CHARGES PARTNER SERIOUS CASE

ELEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS INVOLVED IN COURT ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERY

A case involving the sum of \$11,000 was heard by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning when a Chinese named Lo Kung-pak, was charged at the instance of Mr. Wong Shu-chuen, a partner of Kwong On Yuen, pig dealers, Centre-street, with alleged fraud.

There were six charges against the defendant, who was represented by Mr. C. A. S. Russ. The prosecution was conducted by Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. F. E. Nash).

The first three charges related to the alleged forging of a borrowing note, uttering the note, and embezzlement of a sum of \$1,000. Embezzlement was alleged in the other three charges and involved sums of \$200, \$200 and \$413, the property of the Tak Yuen firm, the Tai Sang Loong firm and the Hop Cheong firm.

A Partnership

Opening the case for the prosecution, Mr. Jenkin said that the charges against the defendant arose out of a partnership in the Kwong On Yuen firm, which was formed in March, 1927, with ten partners and a nominal capital of \$30,000.

At the beginning the defendant held shares to the value of \$6,000, and later put in a further \$500, so that he became one of the biggest shareholders in the firm, with the exception of the complainant, Wong Shu-chuen, whose share was equal to the defendant's.

On account of his holdings in the firm, the defendant was appointed manager and was given charge of the inner counter and handled the firm's cash. A part of the defendant's duties was to receive from the outer counter, in the charge of a fooki, at the end of each day's business, all money received during the day, to put the money in the firm's safe, the key of which he held, and to hold the money in safe custody.

An Arrangement

Another of the defendant's duties was to collect outstanding accounts owing to the firm around the City. For this purpose, he was given a list of such accounts by a fooki. On his return to the office, the defendant had to hand all money which he professed to have collected to the clerk in charge of the outer counter. The latter had to hold this money during business hours, and at the end of the day would hand the money over to the defendant, as the person in charge of the firm's cash.

As he had already said, Mr. Jenkin proceeded, the firm was opened in March 1927, in the Chinese Ting Mau year, and by the end of that Chinese year the defendant had misappropriated the sum of \$7,000, money belonging to the firm. This sum, Mr. Jenkin said, did not form a subject of the charges against the defendant, but was the subject of an arrangement with which he would deal later.

Disclosures

Continuing, Mr. Jenkin said that early in February of last year (1928) which was early in the present Chinese year, a letter from the defendant was received by Wong Shu-chuen. In this letter defendant disclosed that he had appropriated money belonging to the firm. He expressed regret for this, and requested Wong Shu-chuen to treat it as a loan from Wong Shu-chuen for the firm's account, in which the defendant suggested it should appear as such a transaction.

At this time the defendant was about to go to, or was at Pakhoi. When he returned about six weeks later, defendant was informed by Wong Shu-chuen that the latter could not accede to his request, and defendant was asked to do all he could to make amends. However, Wong Shu-chuen agreed to keep the matter from the other partners, and in the firm's books the \$7,000 was treated as still being in the safe. No one knew that the money was not still there until July, 1928.

"Person in Charge"

On July 24, 1928, at the end of

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A TIME-SAVER

Singapore, Yesterday.
Direct cabling between London and Singapore has been established, thus eliminating relaying—
Reuter.

TRAFFIC OFFENCES

KOWLOON MAGISTRATE WARNS MOTORISTS

TWO PORTUGUESE FINED

Having fined two Portuguese for committing breaches of the traffic regulations, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, the Kowloon Magistrate, yesterday warned motorists that they must adhere to the conditions of their licences.

In this case, Mr. J. J. Basto was charged with allowing his motor car to be driven by an unlicensed driver at Castle Peak during the beginning of December, while Miss O. Barretto was alleged to have driven a car without having a driver's licence.

The defendants pleaded guilty and were fined \$10 each.

the day's business, a sum of money

was handed over to the defendant by the outer counter clerk. It was money received in the course of the day's business and amounted to well over \$2,000. The money was given to the defendant in his capacity as the person in charge of the firm's cash.

The following morning, as was customary, the defendant had to hand out to the outer counter clerk such money as was thought was required for the day's business. He gave out \$1,200 which was estimated as the amount which was required for that day. Later, defendant was told that more money was required but he was unable to find it.

Defendant was then taxed with the fact that over \$2,000 had been handed over to him overnight, and he had to explain that he had put some of the money to his own use.

Partners' Discovery

Accordingly, defendant's activities at the inner counter were stopped. He was removed from the position of handling the firm's cash, and Wong Shu-chuen took charge. Defendant continued to collect outstanding accounts for the firm, however.

The position on July 25 was that in addition to the outstanding odd account of \$7,000 defendant owed the firm, there was the amount not accounted for from the \$2,000 odd handed over to him overnight. With a shortage of about \$8,000, the firm was out of cash and, still shielding the defendant, Wong Shu-chuen arranged several short loans to tide the firm over until the defendant refunded the money.

In the meantime, the other partners had discovered the defendant's defalcations and everything came out. A meeting of the partners was held in November 1928 at which the defendant was present and he signed the minutes which would be produced.

Share Transferred

The meeting was for the purpose of considering the defendant's defalcations, and it was decided to remove the defendant from the management, and Wong Shu-chuen was asked to make arrangements for the refund of the money by defendant.

Wong Shu-chuen and defendant had several meetings, and then the defendant transferred to the firm his \$6,500 share and was credited for the amount of \$3,250, exactly 50 per cent. of the face value of his share. In addition, the defendant gave a borrowing note for \$4,000 to make up the total of the then known defalcations.

Afterwards the defendant was further taxed, and it then transpired that defendant had embezzled the sum of \$11,000, and that he had failed to account for outstanding sums of money he had collected and which he had not paid to the outer counter clerk. Defendant made out a list of these sums which numbered a score or

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ANTI-NIPPONISM IN HANKOW

"WORKING UP"

SEQUEL TO ACCIDENTAL KILLING OF CHINESE

PICKETS POSTED

Conditions similar to those in British and a few other foreign concessions in China at various times since 1926 are being "worked up" in the Japanese concession at Hankow.

Considerable feeling is being displayed by Chinese following the accidental killing of a coolie by a Japanese machine-gun bicycle detachment on patrol, says a Royal Naval communiqué.

Orders have now been issued by the anti-Nippon Boycott Society for the withdrawal of all Chinese labour from Japanese concerns in Hankow and from work inside the Japanese concession.

Pickets have been posted by the Boycott Society to ensure that Chinese hitherto employed by Japanese, who having passed outside the concession, do not re-enter again.

NAVAL VISIT

NETHERLAND'S ADMIRAL'S OFFICIAL CALL

THE CRUISER "JAVA"

Rear-Admiral A. ten Broeke Hoekstra, Commander-in-Chief of Her Netherlands Majesty's Naval Forces in Netherland India, Head of the Naval Department, is due to arrive in the Colony on H.M. Cruiser "Java" to-morrow. The ship is under the command of Captain A. F. H. Dahuisen. She was deputed to Japan in connection with the coronation of H.I.M. the Emperor of Japan and she was one of the foreign men-of-war attending the naval review, given in honour of the occasion. She is now on her return trip to Java.

It is understood that this visit, which is to last six days, has been accorded official recognition and that the Rear-Admiral will, on landing at noon, be welcomed by the Aide-de-Camp on behalf of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, at Queen's Pier. A guard of honour will be in attendance. The party will immediately proceed to Government House, where the two Officers will be received in audience by H.E. the Hon. Mr. Southorn, C.M.G.

IN EARLY HOURS

ARMED ROBBERY AT YAU MATI

An armed robbery was committed early this morning on the first floor of No. 13, Tang-on-shan-street, Yau-mati.

According to a preliminary report received at Police Headquarters, four men entered the house, two armed with daggers and a third with a revolver.

The inmates were overpowered in the usual way, and the robbers, who made good their escape, carried away a quantity of jewellery and money, the total value of which has not yet been ascertained.

CHINA'S FINANCE

AMERICAN ADVISER APPOINTED

Washington, Yesterday.
Mr. Arthur Young, Director of the Economic Division of the State Department, has resigned to accompany Professor Kennamer to Nan-king as adviser of Public Finance in the Chinese Government.

He expects to stay at least five years.—Reuter's American Service.

IN ERUPTION

CHILEAN VOLCANOS CAUSING MUCH DAMAGE

Buenos Aires, Yesterday.
The Chilean volcanoes, Calbuco and Puyehue, are in eruption. Several persons have been killed and the losses to livestock and property are very large.—Reuter's American Service.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR

The "Empress of France" by which H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi) is travelling back to the Colony, is due to-morrow and not as inadvertently stated in yesterday's issue. The official landing will take place at 6 p.m.

OVER A DISMISSED STEWARD

S.S. "TAI LEE"

BOATMEN REFUSE TO WORK CARGO

A SETTLEMENT

[From Our Own Correspondent.]
Pakkai, Kongsmoon, Yesterday.

Following a conference here on Sunday, an impasse affecting two vessels flying the British flag has been removed. Both ships are on the Hong Kong-Pakkai run.

A steward on the s.s. "Tai Lee" was dismissed. On Saturday the cargo-boatmen refused to work the "Tai Lee" when she arrived. It is commonly known that the cargo-boatmen are in league with the local branch of the Seamen's Union at Canton. Their action was in the nature of a reprisal for the steward's dismissal. The "Tai Lee's" sister-ship, "On Lee" returned to Hong Kong without discharging her cargo. Then came the settlement and the "Tai Lee" was discharged this morning.

Following the dry weather, this part of the West River delta has been very shallow of late. This morning, the incoming ships from Hong Kong could not berth at their wharves.

The s.s. "Yuet On" has also been a temporary casualty.

Native river traffic, however, has been moving freely and not one boat has been molested since the Army stormed the pirates' stronghold in Ku Tau Mountains.

THE KING'S CONDITION

Fewer Bulletins

London, Yesterday.
A bulletin issued at 7.45 stated that H. M. the King had a quiet day and that there is no change to report in His Majesty's condition.

The next bulletin will be issued to-morrow evening.

An earlier telegram stated that there was an air of more optimism at the Palace to-day and that the bulletin is regarded as satisfactory and taken as indicating that the King's health continues on the upward grade.—Reuter.

DRAMATIC AUTHOR

DEATH OF HENRY ARTHUR JONES

HIS PUBLICATIONS

London, Yesterday.

The death is announced of Mr. Henry Arthur Jones.—Reuter.

[Henry Arthur Jones, the famous dramatic author, was born at Groundborough, Bucks, in 1851 and educated at Winslow, Bucks.

His publications include:—
A Clerical Error, 1879; Silver King, 1882; Saints and Sinners, 1884; Middleman, 1889; Judah,

1890; The Dancing Girl, 1891; The Bauble Shop, 1893; The Tempter, 1893; The Masqueraders, 1894; The Case of the Rebellious Susan, 1894; The Triumph of the Philistines, 1895; Michael and his Lost Angel, 1896; The Rogue's Comedy, 1896; The Physician, 1897; The Liars, 1897; The Manceuvres of Jane, 1898; Carnaby Sahib, 1899; The Luckey's Carnival; Mrs. Dane's Defence, 1900; The Princess's Nose, 1902; Chance, The Idol, 1902; Whitewashing Julia, 1903; Joseph Entangled, 1904; The Chevalier, 1904; The Heroic Stubbs, 1906; The Hypocrites, (in America), 1906; In London, 1907; The Evangelist (in America), 1907; Dolly Reforming Herself, 1908; The Knife, 1909; We Can't be as Red as All That, 1910; Fall in Rookies, 1910; The Ogre, 1911; The Divine Gift, 1913; Mary goes First, 1913; The Lie (in America), 1914; (London), 1928; Cock o' the Walk, (in America), 1915; The Pacifics, 1917; Renaissance of the English Drama, 1895; Foundations of a National Drama, 1918; Theatre of Ideas, 1918; Shakespeare and Germany, 1918; Patriotism and Popular Education, 1918; My Dear Wells, 1921; 2nd ed., 1922; What is Capital, 2nd ed., 1925.]

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ASSIZE WORK

COUNTRYSIDE NOW SAFE FOR TRAVEL

BANDIT ELIMINATION

Pakkai, Yesterday.
The countryside have been rendered safe for travel, members of the Kwangtung judiciary are now in a position to carry on what might be called assize work.

Hitherto, cases arising in the Chik-kai district had to be tried at the Tolshan district magistracy because the magistrate deemed it unsafe to travel to Chik-kai. With bandits eradicated, a court has been established at Chik-kai as from New Year's Day and Mr. Wong Tung presides therein.—Our own correspondent.

POCKETS RIFLED IN INDIAN MESS

UNLUCKY VISITORS

OVER \$1,000 STOLEN WHILE THEY WERE ASLEEP

MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR

The inmates of No. 75, Wyndham-street, used as living quarters for the staff of Messrs. D. Chellaram, Indian silk merchants of Pedder-street, awoke this morning to find that the house had been thoroughly ransacked, and about \$1,000 in money and other property stolen.

It was explained to a "China Mail" reporter by one of the victims that yesterday they received twelve friends from India, including the manager of their Manila branch, who arrived on the O.S.K., s.s. "Kudada Maru," and all due to sail for Manila on the R.M.S. "Empress of France" this week.

Naturally, with a lot to talk about home, they stayed up until 1 a.m. and, before retiring, they took special precautions to see that the place was securely locked, because all the guests had sums of money on their persons.

The Cook's Discovery
When they awoke this morning and rang for the cook to prepare breakfast, the latter came up with one of the inmate's coats on his arm. He reported that he had found it on the stairs. It was searched and the owner found that all money and valuables had been removed from it.

Then the others began to search their own clothing hanging on pegs in the various rooms, and every one found that all his money had been stolen. One of the visitors, who owned a pocket-book with him, named in gold letters on the cover, which he also greatly valued, had that stolen.

The other men's wallets had been returned to the coat pockets after they had been emptied of their contents.

A possible clue for the police who are now working on the case is the fact that one of the visitors had in his pocket some Christmas greeting cheques, which the thief also took away evidently being under the impression that they were rupee notes. It would be interesting to see if he attempts to cash some of these in town.

Owing to the special precautions taken to safeguard the house against burglary, the five servants employed at the mess have naturally come under suspicion, and are now undergoing interrogation by the police.

BELGRADE'S BOMB

THE KING'S REMARKABLE COUP D'ETAT

PUBLIC SYMPATHY

Berlin, Yesterday.

A message from Belgrade states that the news of King Alexander's coup d'etat and the formation of a new government has been received sympathetically in the provinces. The Croatian leader, Dr. Matschek, is reported to have said: "The Croats have been brave and the constitution, which for seven years has been abolished, and thanks to the wisdom of our monarch we shall now succeed in attaining the ideals of the Croatian people and will really be masters in the house of a free Croatia."

The new press law decreed by the King is very severe, all comment and criticism of the new government being strictly forbidden. Severe penalties are imposed on anyone who by speech or writing causes popular unrest.

The Parliament House is closed and all deputies are denied admission.—Reuter.

Case for Defence

After observing that he had a substantial defence on the merits of the case, Mr. Alabaster asked for and was given leave to comment on the case for plaintiffs. Plaintiffs had admitted, he said, that they had never dealt with defendant before and had never known of his existence (until the transactions forming the subject matter of the claim had been put through). Plaintiffs never looked to the owner, as an individual or a firm, for payment.

Plaintiffs' own evidence, Mr. Alabaster continued, showed that they received the order from a person they did know (a Mr. Tse Chung, described as a "runner" for the supply of necessities by shipchangers to ships in Hong Kong harbour); and it had not even been alleged that this person was in any way connected with defendant.

When the bill came to be made out, Tse Chung disclosed the name of the principal, the Sino-Portuguese Navigation Co. (described as the charterers). This was before the ship sailed from Hong Kong, and the plaintiffs did make out the bill

LINKING-UP MACAO & TIMOR

"POO TYE'S" TRIP

PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT'S SUBSIDY

LOCAL "ADMIRALTY" CLAIM

How the Government of Macao interested itself in a project to establish steamship communication between Macao and the Portuguese Colony of Timor in the East Indies was related in the Supreme Court, Admiralty Jurisdiction, this morning, by Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C. (instructed by Mr. F. X. d'Almada).

Mr. Alabaster appeared for the Chinese s.s. "Poo Tye," owned by Mr. Chan Tsan-yuk, trading as the Tye Sing S.S. Co., the vessel being sued in rem by Messrs. Cheung Wo & Co., ship-chandlers, for \$8,077.81, for necessities alleged to have been supplied. Mr. H. G. Sheldon (instructed by Mr. F. H. Loseby) was for plaintiffs.

The case having opened yesterday, evidence for plaintiffs was concluded to-day.

Prima Facie Case

Mr. Alabaster thereupon submitted that plaintiffs had failed to prove any contract with defendant, express or implied, and quoted authorities in support.

The Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E., K.C.) pointed out that there was evidence of a contract between plaintiffs and the master of the "Poo Tye."

Mr. Alabaster replied that the evidence did not show that the master was employed by the owner, or by the charterers.

His Lordship expressed the opinion that a prima facie case had been made out and that the onus was on the owner to prove that he did not employ the master. "How can an unfortunate person who supplies necessities know," his Lordship continued, when Mr. Alabaster intervened to say that such a person would enquire whether the master was employed by the owner or the charterer; and if by the latter, what the terms of charter were.

His Lordship's Ruling
His Lordship differed. In his view, there was some evidence that the captain had been employed by the owner. A person supplying necessities could do so on the assumption that the master was the agent of the owner, and then run the risk of it being proved afterwards that the master was not employed by the owner.

After further argument, his Lordship said that he might be wrong and he was prepared "to be influenced by any further authority that Mr. Alabaster might quote." The question was one of onus, he added.

His Lordship overruled the submission for the defence and held that the fact of the order (for the supply of necessities) by the captain being proved and the ownership of the vessel also proved, there is prima facie evidence of employment of the captain by the owner.

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THE RECORD AIR FLIGHT

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Los Angeles, Yesterday.

The Question Mark landed after a flight which lasted 150 hours and 46 minutes. Half-an-hour earlier, the commander, Carl Spatz, complained of trouble in the left engine.—Reuter's American Service.

Beating Elijah!

An earlier telegram from Los Angeles stated:

Circling monotonously round 5,000 feet aloft, the "Question Mark" completed its 136th hour in the air last night, beating all records. The engines missed fire repeatedly but behaved better after re-fuelling. The fliers dropped notes, complaining of the cold because one of the windows had dropped out, but the re-fuelling machine rectified this by letting down another by a rope to the fliers.

Their dogged decision not to descend is probably due to an exchange of official telegrams in which it was pointed out "Only Elijah has gone further and longer than the 'Question Mark'." The reply came "Good, let's trim (beat) Elijah."

A Big Achievement

London, Yesterday.

Lady Bailey, wife of Sir A. Bailey, who last year flew alone from London to the Cape in a single seater light aeroplane, reached Paris yesterday on her return flight, and is expected in London early this afternoon. Her De Havilland Moth machine is equipped with a Cirrus mark two engine.

On her outward journey her aeroplane was wrecked at Nairobi, and that on which she is now flying, is one which was sent out to Kenya Colony to replace it. Lady Bailey has made no attempt to lower records, and apart from her desire to see Africa thoroughly from the air, her only purpose was to demonstrate the utility and safety of the light aeroplane as a means of transport, even over long distances.

Before finally setting off on her homeward journey, she made extensive tours in Africa. Leaving Pretoria at the end of September, she travelled by the West African route, via Kano, Bamako, Dakar, Casablanca, and the Straits of Gibraltar.—Reuter's American Service.

HELD UP

WOMAN ROBBED IN WANCHAI

A Chinese woman Ng Ho, living on the ground floor of No. 26, Kennedy-street, Wanchai, was the victim of a highway robbery at 7.30 this morning.

She was walking in Wongnei-chong Gap-road, near Wongnei-chong village, when she was held up by two men who relieved her of a pair of gold earrings and some money, valued together at 15.50.

Her assailants ran away in the direction of Wanchai.

against the Sino-Portuguese Navigation Co.

Accordingly, counsel submitted, the evidence proved that the master was the agent of the charterers.

Managing Company

Defendant bought the "Poo Tye" in February, 1928, said Mr. Alabaster in outlining his case. Defendant formed a partnership with a Li

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NOTICE.

WE HAVE Authorised Mr. WALTER SCHACK to sign for our firm per procurator from this date.

R. JOHNSON & CO. Hong Kong, 1st Jan., 1929.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

ANNUAL RACE MEETING.

25th, 26th, 27th February and 2nd March, 1929.

DRAFT PROGRAMME and **ENTRY FORMS** are now ready and may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables. Hong Kong, 15th Dec., 1928.

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Hong Kong, 1st Jan., 1929.

THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held on Saturday, the 2nd day of February, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon at the City Hall Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following resolution, viz:—

That the Directors of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the shareholders of the Corporation to take all such steps as may be necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hong Kong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hong Kong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, in the terms of a print which, for the purposes of identification, has been signed by the Chief Manager of the Corporation, in substitution for the existing Ordinance (except as in such print is mentioned) and Deed of Settlement of the Corporation.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the Corporation will be held on Saturday, the 23rd day of February, 1929, at 12.45 in the afternoon at the same place for the purpose of receiving a report of the above mentioned meeting and of considering, and, if thought fit, confirming the above resolution in accordance with Article 96 of the Corporation's Deed of Settlement.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1929.

By Order of the Directors,

A. C. HYNES,

Chief Manager.

Note—A copy of the proposed New Ordinance can be seen during the usual banking hours (Sundays, Public Bank Holidays excepted) in Hong Kong at the Head Office of the Corporation or at the offices of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Co., Messrs. Lovell, White and Master, Prince's Buildings, Solicitors to the said Corporation, and in Shanghai at the Office of the Corporation, from the date hereof until the date of the above mentioned confirmation meeting.

LORD ASHFIELD

TO REDUCE HIS ACTIVITIES

"I FEEL TIRED"

Lord Ashfield, who controls London's great transport combine and is interested in many other companies, told a "Daily Mail" reporter that he intends to give up a number of his activities as opportunities arise.

He is proposing to the shareholders of the Standard Film Company, Limited, of which he is chairman, that they should accept an offer from the Gaumont-British Pictures Corporation to buy the whole of the shares. The company controls Provincial Cinematograph Theatres, Ltd., with a joint capital of about £14,000,000.

If the offer is accepted by the shareholders Lord Ashfield will sever his connection with the British film industry and will soon retire from other concerns in which he is the moving spirit.

Lord Ashfield, who is 54, controls as only part of his activities the Underground railways and tubes, the London General Omnibus and its allied companies, and the London United Tramways. He is the chairman of 15 other companies, deputy chairman of one, and a director of six more.

London's Busiest Man

He originated the great scheme to include the London County Council tramways in the traffic pool, and it is in the direction of making London's transport still more complete that he intends to devote his activities.

He said:—

I have got to reduce my work. It has been said that I am the busiest man in London, but I find work good fun, and I have enjoyed my strenuous life. But during the last few years the demands of all my companies have been so great that they are now becoming too much for me.

Business has never been more exacting than it is now. Anybody who is in control of any enterprise that means to be successful must work hard. No business can succeed unless the directors put all the energy they are capable of into it.

INFERIOR CUTLERY

WOOLWORTHS TO PAY \$80

Messrs. F. W. Woolworth and Co., Ltd., carrying on business in Cornmarket-street, Oxford, were fined \$5 and ordered to pay \$75 costs at the Oxford police-court for a breach of the Cutlery Trade Act by causing to be sold six table knives bearing the words, "Best English cutlery, Sheffield." They were also summoned for having six knives so marked in their possession, and for selling six knives so marked.

The case was brought by the Sheffield Cutlery Company, Mr. F. J. O. Coddington prosecuted, and Mr. Richard O'Sullivan appeared for the defendants.

Mr. O'Sullivan submitted that the information had been wrongly laid against his clients as a limited company. The statute referred to offences committed by individuals and not to limited companies. The statute was made in 1819, and it appeared to have passed into oblivion until resurrected by his friend in the course of the present year.

The magistrates decided that the information had been correctly laid, and Mr. O'Sullivan then pleaded guilty.

Mr. Coddington said that for many years Sheffield cutlery had had to be made very secure in competition in the world's markets, and it was important for the Cutlery Company to maintain the great prestige of Sheffield. They were determined to stop the practice of marking inferior goods as best quality. On Nov. 12 two Union leaders went to Oxford and purchased six of the knives, and saw about a dozen and a half similarly marked. The knives were not merely "not very good," but almost as bad as they could be. They were roughly ground, the holsters were not made of steel but of a kind of zinc. The haft was made of low quality celluloid, and the blade was unfinished.

Mr. O'Sullivan said the knives were ordered from a reputable manufacturer in Sheffield, and at that time, his clients had not received any warning from the Cutlery Company. The defendants had not ordered any of this quality during the usual banking hours (Sundays, Public Bank Holidays excepted) in Hong Kong at the Head Office of the Corporation or at the offices of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Co., Messrs. Lovell, White and Master, Prince's Buildings, Solicitors to the said Corporation, and in Shanghai at the Office of the Corporation, from the date hereof until the date of the above mentioned confirmation meeting.

M. Rei, leader of the Estonian Socialist Party, has agreed to form a new Cabinet, as General hereof until the date of the above mentioned confirmation meeting.

SIR O. MOSLEY'S WILL

NO MENTION OF HIS SOCIALIST SON

£2,000 TRUST SECRET

Derby.—The will of Sir Oswald Mosley, Bart., who died at his house, Hilton Lodge, near Derby, on September 21, makes no reference to his son, the Socialist M.P. and present baronet.

The will was filed here, the un-settled estate being sworn at £5,764.

Sir Oswald appointed his sister, Mrs. Violet McKie, and Mr. William Woolley, solicitor, of Derby, as executors.

He bequeathed to his mother for life a portrait of himself by the Hon. John Collier. It is then to become the property of Mrs. McKie. To the latter he left all Jewellery, personal ornaments, household furniture, and other household effects, to be distributed by her among his family.

He left £2,000 in trust to the executors to be used for a purpose already declared to them, and which they have agreed to act upon.

The residue of the estate is left on trust for his housekeeper, Mary Elizabeth Hipkiss, "who has served me faithfully and looked after me in various illnesses for over 15 years."

The smallness of the estate has caused much surprise.

Giving up Titles

The present baronet prefers to be known as Mr. Oswald Mosley, M.P. In a letter to "The Daily Mail" in 1926 about his son's Socialist declarations, the late Sir Oswald said:

More valuable help would be rendered to the country by my Socialist son and daughter-in-law if instead of achieving cheap publicity about the relinquishing of titles, they would take more material action and relinquish some of their wealth and so help to make easier the plight of some of their more unfortunate followers.

Lady Cynthia Mosley, whom the present baronet married in 1920, is one of the three daughters of the late Marquess Curzon by his first wife, who was a daughter of Mr. Levi Z. Leiter, a Chicago merchant.

THE JOKE SONG

"WHY IS THE BACON SO TOUGH?"

A restaurant customer demands to know "Why is the bacon so tough?"

He thinks he is asking the maitre d'hotel, but he is actually addressing the band-conductor who is passing.

The conductor mistakes the complaint for a request to play a jazz tune of that name. He can't find the music, but promises to get it. He does not know that the tune is non-existent.

"A.D.C." tells the story in "The Daily Mail," and suggests that "Why is the bacon so tough?" sounds good enough to be set to music.

A week passes, and it is turned into a song by a score of composers and a hundred lyricists. A selected version—that by those highly successful authors Reginald Arkell and Charles Prentice—is about to be published by Messrs. Ascherberg, Hopwood and Crew, Ltd.

But the burlesque chain of actual facts does not stop there. Sindbad and Robinson Crusoe, Jack the Giant-killer and Mother Goose are demanding the joke-song wherever Christmas pantomimes are being rehearsed. The thing has become as inevitable as an approaching depression from Ireland.

"Why is the Bacon so Tough?" is claiming the "No Banana" throne with irresistible might. Within a short time it will be on sale, while as soon as an artist has rendered it with the necessary dash it is to be impressed on thousands of records.

By pantomime-time at the latest you will be crooning or humming or whistling the new ear-catcher, which started as a growl, changed into an error, and blossomed into a joke-song.

PORTRAIT MYSTERY

REYNOLDS "REPLICA" AN ORIGINAL

A SECRET SALE

[A. C. R. Carter in Daily Telegraph]

A full-length portrait of Anne Viscountess Townshend, by Reynolds, which for years has been judged by experts to be a copy—although by the master himself—of an original painting, has now been proved by family letters to be itself original. There never was a replica.

It appears that about half a century ago a member of the family secretly sold the portrait to an art dealer, who very speedily passed it on to the present owner's forbear, Robert Townley Parker.

When this sale was discovered by other members of the family they made every effort to recover the portrait, offering to pay twice as much as the purchase price, but the new owner was too much in love with his prize to accede to their request. He did not contradict the statements of the writers on Reynolds's works to the effect that the picture in his collection must be a replica—even though they could not trace the original.

Even when a group of collectors offered a reward of 100 guineas to anyone who could give information as to the whereabouts of the "original," the owner refused to speak.

The portrait forms one of the remarkable Tatton collection sent from Preston for sale at Christie's on Dec. 14.

When it is recalled that this Anne Viscountess Townshend is one of the three graceful sisters grouped by Reynolds for his famous picture bequeathed by the Earl of Blessington to the National Gallery in 1837, "The Graces decorating a terminal figure of Hymen," it will be understood with what zest Reynolds painted this single portrait of her resting against a pedestal, on which is a bas-relief of The Judgment of Paris.

It should be further explained that, as Anne Viscountess Townshend was the second wife of George, who afterwards became the first Marquis, her son did not succeed. At her death in 1818 she bequeathed her portrait to her daughter Anne, who married Harrington Hudson, M.P. for Halton.

The portrait is of outstanding merit, and now that the wrongful stigma of its being a replica has been completely wiped out it is sure to receive an enthusiastic welcome.

FROM FAR PAHANG

Comes This Father's Grateful Praise Of Baby's Own Tablets.

How greatly helpful Baby's Own Tablets are found in distant places where medical aid is difficult to obtain is proved by what Inche Adil Bin Budin, Settlement Officer at Temerloh, Pahang, writes about them.

"My baby, Abdul Rafim, when aged three months, was constipated and had fever at times which caused him to be very cross and 'fretful,'" states this Malay father. "It gave the child Baby's Own Tablets and they quickly made a wonderful change in him. Now he is fifteen months old and quite well and healthy."

Baby's Own Tablets are a specific for stomach and bowel troubles in infants and little children. They also quickly allay teething troubles, cool fever, relieve croup and colds, expel worms. Chemists sell them, or post free, 60 cents per vial, from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 60, Klangee Road, Shanghai.

MR. L. J. NEWMARCH

RAILWAY CHIEF TO RETIRE

35 YEARS IN NORTH

Mr. L. J. Newmarch, M.I.C.E., whose retirement from the post of General Manager and Engineer-in-Chief of the Peking-Mukden Railway was recently recorded, had been on the Railway no fewer than 35 years. Following his appointment as Assistant Engineer in May, 1893, he was employed on construction work on the line from Kuyeh to Shankalkwan. In the following year he narrowly escaped drowning when on duty during the floods at Liushouying. He was washed away with a trolley, but was saved by a trolley coolie.

In 1896 he was acting Locomotive Superintendent at Tongshan for one year. From 1898 to 1900 he was on construction work on the line from Chung Ho So to Kao Chiao, the work including the building of the new Bridge 24, 100' spans, across the Lukho. In 1901 he was on construction work on the line into the Chien Men at Peking, from the Ma Chia Pu, and also on the new line from Tung Pien Men to Tungchow. In 1902 he was promoted District Engineer, and in 1910 he became Senior District Engineer.

From 1901 to 1916 he was on maintenance work along the section from Tientsin to Peking and Outside Wall District.

In 1917 he was appointed acting Chief Assistant Engineer, and was promoted to the substantive post the following year. In March, 1922, he was acting Engineer-in-Chief and General Manager, and in September the same year he was appointed to the substantive post.

During his period of service at the Head Office additional new lines were arranged and built, Chaoyang—Tahushan—Tungliao. The section from Tongshan to Shanhaikwan was double-tracked, and the track from Shanhaikwan to Huangkutun was replaced with heavy section rails.

Mr. Newmarch was Consulting Engineer of the Chin Kong Bridge across the Peiho in Tientsin, and among his Chinese decorations were the Order of the Double Dragon, the Striped Tiger (5th Class), and the Chia Ho (3rd Class).

"WORTH MILLIONS"

CHANCE FOR BRITISH SHIPS AND MEN

ADMIRAL EVANS ON WHALING

The great possibilities for Britain in the Southern Seas whaling industry, to which attention has been drawn recently by "The Daily Mail," were referred to by Rear-Admiral E. R. G. Evans ("Evans of the Broke") at a luncheon in London recently.

Rear-Admiral Evans, who was the hero of the "Discovery" and the Scott Antarctic expeditions, said: The founders of the whaling industry throughout the world were British seamen. There is every reason why we should attempt to tap this industry and share the enormous profits that are being made.

The Ross Sea is teeming with whales and the adjacent oceans are untouched.

I do not imagine there is any chance of the industry in the Southern Seas falling for the next 20 years.

Whaling offers a fine opportunity for the employment of British capital and work in the ship-building yards. Also there is a very fine chance for the employment of ex-naval officers and men in the industry.

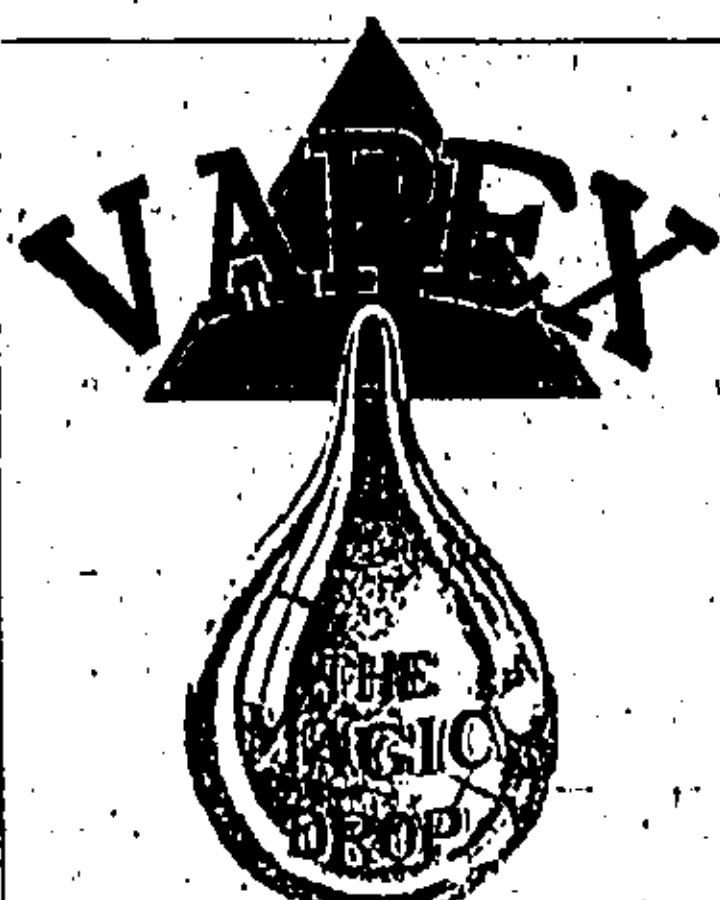
We have sat still while the Norwegians have virtually wrested from us the whaling industry, which is bringing them millions of pounds.

About £1,500 has been subscribed for the support of the widow and seven young children of Mr. A. Lovell, the Poplar, E., ex-Serjeant man who was killed while preventing a little girl from being run over on Armistice Day.



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Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.
MONTEVIDEO MARU Friday, 8th February, 1929.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.
SHINYU MARU Monday, 7th January.
CHIFUKU MARU Saturday, 19th January, 1929.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR
& MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.
CHICAGO MARU Tuesday, 5th February.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
BORNEO MARU Friday, 18th January.
SEATTLE MARU Friday, 1st February.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from
Shanghai.
PARIS MARU Wednesday, 10th January.
ARABIA MARU Tuesday, 22nd January.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.
HIMALAYA MARU Wednesday, 6th February.
SAIGON.
HAI PHONG—Via Hanoi.
MENADO MARU Thursday, 17th January 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.
JAPAN PORTS.
KASADO MARU Tuesday, 8th January.
AMAZON MARU Tuesday, 16th January.
KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.
HOZAN MARU Sunday, 18th January Noon.
CANTON MARU Sunday, 20th January Noon.
TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.
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intend to supplement their service
from Australian ports via Rabaul
(Bismack Archipelago) and the
Philippines to Hong Kong and re-
turn. The present service which
has been in effect since
1926, has been operated with
only one vessel, the steam-
er "Calulu" and the in-
frequent sailings have been in-
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mands. With the addition of the
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tain a regular six-cylinder service
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and Adelaide.
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on February 9 and continues to
Shanghai. The vessel will return
homewards from Hong Kong via
the usual route about March 20.

LOCAL SHIPPING

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND
DEPARTURES

Leverbank (3,149) British from
New York, Amby-Bank Line—
1,000 tons general cargo for Hong
Kong, 1,000 tons (through).

Telemachus (1,340) British, from
Saigon—Wo Fat Sing—1,900 tons
general cargo for Hong Kong, 18
passengers.

Kiangsu (1,555) British, from
Bangkok, Swatow—B. & S.—1,544
tons general cargo for Hong Kong,
64 tons (through), 34 passengers.

Perseus (6,299) British, from
Yokohama, Shanghai—B. & S.—39
passengers, 160 tons general cargo
for Hong Kong, 4,540 tons
(through).

President Taft (3,415) American,
from Manila—Dollar Line—405
passengers, 115 tons general cargo
for Hong Kong, 1,000 tons
(through).

Hirundo (1,125) Norwegian,
from Bangkok, Swatow—Thoresen
& Co.—1,479 tons rice for Hong
Kong, 80 passengers.

Tjibodas (2,953) Dutch, from
Batavia, Swatow—J. C. J. L.—188
passengers, 200 tons sugar for
Hong Kong, 250 tons (through).

Sungshan Maru (1,503) Japanese,
from Shanghai, Swatow—
N. Y. K.—61 passengers, 92 tons
general cargo for Hong Kong, 15
tons (through).

Suwa Maru (6,637) Japanese,
from Middlesbrough, Singapore—
84 passengers, 1,369 tons general
cargo for Hong Kong, 8,775 tons
(through).

Kok Hing (121) Chinese, from
Macao—Hoo Hing—25 tons gen-
eral cargo for Hong Kong.

Tak Hing (105) Chinese, from
Autow—Fook Hoi Co.—80 passen-
gers, 2 tons general cargo for Hong
Kong.

Poo Tye (1,745) Chinese, from
K. C. Wan—Po Cheong—200 tons
general cargo, 19 bullocks, 104 pigs
for Hong Kong.

Departures

For Canton—Kwei Sang, Sung-
shan Maru, Linan.

For Swatow—Hydrangea.
For Amoy—Anhui.

For Shanghai—Ting Sang, Pre-
sident Taft, Suwa Maru.

For K. C. Wan—Wing Lee.
For Shanghai—Cheung On.

For Keelung—Havanna Maru.
For Canton—Yunnan.

For Macao—Kok Hing.
For Saigon—Shinyu Maru.

For Manila—Yoi Maru No. 2.
For Autow—Tak Hing.

For Bangkok—Havdrot.
Clearance

For Pakhoi—Raymond Poincare.
For Moit—Kasado Maru.

For K. C. Wan—Huong Hoi.
For Canton—Kanchow.

For Takao—Romonan Maru.
For Saigon—Lyemcon.

For Shanghai—Ning Po.
For Amoy—Shantung.

For Saigon—Darcilla.
Arrivals Departures

British 4 6
Japanese 2 5
Norwegian 1 1
Chinese 3 4
Dutch 1 0
American 1 1
12 17

SHIPPING BOARD
THE NEW CONSTRUCTION
PLANS

The annual report of the United
States Shipping Board, submitted
to Congress, predicts much
new construction of merchant
ships under the recently enacted
Jones-White Law, which in-
creased the construction loan fund and
provided liberal terms for loans
and means whereby shipowners
might obtain mail-carrying con-
tracts.

"The new measure," says the re-
port, "gives every reasonable in-
dication of accomplishing the
three main purposes for which it
was enacted, namely, to assist in
the development of the U.S. mer-
chant marine generally, to aid in
increasing the foreign commerce
of the United States, and to facili-
tate the transfer of the Govern-
ment's war-built fleet and estab-
lished services to private owner-
ship."

Declaring that the American
shipping industry cannot stand
still, the report says that for
every ocean-going ship laid in
that country 50 are laid in Great
Britain, 10 in Germany, five each
in France and Italy, and four in
Japan.

During the past year the Ship-
ping Board has sold 67 vessels, of
which 47 were in established lines
on the Pacific and Atlantic coasts
operating in foreign trade. The
total sale price was \$6,059,000 for
an aggregate of 554,000 tons.
"Provision should be made," the
report states, "for tax exemption
on U.S. vessels operating in for-
eign trade, including a provision
whereby deductions shall be al-
lowed from taxable incomes de-
rived from operating profits to the
extent that such profits are de-
voted to new ship construction in
American yards."

INDIAN TRADE

COASTAL SHIPOWNERS'
CONCERN

While the results of voyage dur-
ing the year have on the whole
been fairly satisfactory, states the
annual report of the British India
Steam Navigation Co., trade con-
ditions throughout the company's
sphere of operations have not
been bright, and on a number of
lines served by the company
freights have been unremunerative.
The mail services have been
performed with regularity. The
directors are pleased to report
that no serious accident occurred
to any of the company's vessels
during the year.

The board has been concerned
about a Bill now before the In-
dian Legislature which seeks to
reserve the coastal trade of India
to vessels owned and controlled
by Indians. Were such an enact-
ment passed into law it would
mean the confiscation of the com-
pany's established business on the
coast of India which has been
built up over the long period of
the company's history, and fur-
ther it would be a serious menace
to other British shipping as well
as to all industries in India cre-
ated and developed by British en-
terprise and capital, and would
have disastrous results upon the
trade and welfare of India. It is
hoped, therefore, states the report,
that wise counsels will prevail to
prevent the passage of so ill-ad-
vised a measure.

HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been
obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting
Machine, which includes 40 components
for the better prediction of tides, from
the result of the analysis of the tidal
observations, taken at the Kaulung
tidal observatory under the direction
of Dr. Dobereck during the years 1887,
1888 and 1889.
The times and heights are given for
Kaulung; but they may be used for
the Victoria Naval Yard and Aber-
deen, the differences being very small.
The times of high and low-water
must not be considered to coincide
with the times of slack-water and
change of current, the two phenomena
being quite distinct.

January 4 to 10, 1929.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
Jan.	Standard Times	Standard Times
Fri. 4	m. 4.24 5.45 6.58 8.15 9.44 11.00	m. 10.18 11.11 12.00 12.44 1.33 2.22
Sat. 5	m. 5.08 6.15 7.24 8.31 9.44 11.00	m. 11.11 12.00 12.44 1.33 2.22 3.11
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Mon. 7	m. 6.36 7.42 8.49 9.56 11.00 12.00	m. 12.44 1.33 2.22 3.11 4.00 4.44
Tues. 8	m. 7.20 8.26 9.33 10.40 11.44 12.44	m. 1.33 2.22 3.11 4.00 4.44 5.33
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ARMS SMUGGLING

A DISCOVERY AT
CANTON

BULLETS IN SHOES

An ingenious way of smuggling
arms and ammunitions was dis-
covered by the Customs officials at
Canton and four men, who were
suspected in connection with the
case, are being detained by the
water police.

News has been received to the
effect that on the arrival of the
Hong Kong-Canton s.s. "Kwong
Tung," on Jan. 5, the Customs of-
ficials carried out their usual pro-
cedure of searching the passen-
gers. In a basket where a tea pot
had been placed, it was discovered
that a revolver was concealed in
the bottom.
Realising that the contraband
had been discovered, a man sudden-
ly threw the basket into the river.
It was further discovered that in
the shoes of four passengers there
were concealed fifteen bullets.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of
Russia," Capt. A. J. Hosken,
R.N.R., will leave here for Victoria
and Vancouver, B.C., via Shang-
hai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yoko-
hama, at noon to-morrow.
The P. & O. s.s. "Kildare" will
leave Singapore for this port on
Jan. 8 at 7 a.m., and is due here
on Thursday, Jan. 10 at about 6
a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of
France" arrived at Woonung yes-
terday at 7.30 a.m., left Woonung
same day at 6.30 p.m., and is due
at Hong Kong to-morrow after-
noon. She leaves Hong Kong on
Thursday at 5 p.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benrackle"
from Middlesbrough, London, Straits
and Philippines, is due to arrive
here on Jan. 17.

The M.V. "Nippon" (Swedish
East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Dun-
kirch on Dec. 24, and is due here
on or about Jan. 31.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of
Australia" left Suez on Jan. 1 at
7 p.m., is due at Bombay on Jan. 10
at 7 a.m., and is expected here
on Feb. 13 at 8 a.m.

Projected departures from Hong
Kong of steamers under the man-
agement of the Bank Line, Ltd.,
are as follows:

Sailings From Hong Kong.
S.S. "City of Bedford," Shang-
hai, January 9.
S.S. "City of Lahore," Straits,
Colombo, London, Rotterdam and
Hamburg, January 9.
S.S. "City of Pekin," from
Europe, January 25.
S.S. "City of Pekin," Shanghai
and Japan ports, January 26.
S.S. "Polaric," from New York,
February 1.
S.S. "Polaric," Saigon, February 8.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of Cargo ex M.V.
"Danmark" are reminded to take
delivery of their goods which will
be subject to rent after Jan. 12.
Consignees of Cargo ex M.V.
"Leverbank" are reminded to take
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The Harbour Master notifies
that a search light practice will
be carried out from Stonecutters
on Jan. 8, 10 and 15.

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STEAMERS	Leave Hong Kong	Leave Shanghai	Leave Kobe	Leave Yokohama	Arrive Vancouver
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Jan. 9	Jan. 12	Jan. 15	Jan. 17	Jan. 28
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Jan. 23	Jan. 26	Jan. 29	Jan. 31	Feb. 9
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Feb. 13	Feb. 16	Feb. 19	Feb. 21	Mar. 2
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Mar. 6	Mar. 9	Mar. 12	Mar. 14	Mar. 23
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Mar. 20	Mar. 23	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	Apr. 6
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Apr. 10	Apr. 13	Apr. 16	Apr. 18	Apr. 27
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	May 1	May 4	May 7	May 9	May 18
EMPRESS OF ASIA	May 15	May 18	May 21	May 23	June 1
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	June 22
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 20	June 23	June 26	June 28	July 7
EMPRESS OF ASIA	July 10	July 13	July 16	July 18	July 27

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Feb. 22	Feb. 24	EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Mar. 1

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JANUARY.

THURS. 10th SAT. 26th
TUES. 15th THURS. 31st
MON. 21st

S.S. "TAI MING"

[849 tons—Capt. G. J. Spink.]

JANUARY.

TUES. 8th WED. 23rd
SUN. 14th MON. 29th
FRI. 19th

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*ALIPORE	5,273	24th Jan.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
MOREA	10,953	2nd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KIDDERPORE	5,334	7th Feb.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
KASHGAR	9,005	16th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Hull.
MACDONIA	11,120	2nd Mar.	M'selles, London, A'werp, R'dam & Hamburg.
*PADUA	5,907	9th Mar.	

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TILAWA	10,008	6th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TAKIWA	7,936	13th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TAKADA	6,949	18th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALAMBA	8,018	4th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

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*KIDDERPORE	5,334	11th Jan.	Moji & Kobe.
TILAWA	10,008	14th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHGAR	9,005	18th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*PADUA	5,907	24th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKIWA	7,936	30th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TAKADA	6,949	28th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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MACDONIA	11,120	1st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	6,956	6th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
TALAMBA	8,018	8th Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka.
KIYWA	9,135	15th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	18th Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
MALWA	10,906	1st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NAGPORE	5,283	4th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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DE-RATING ANOMALY

London.—A sorrowful story of the decline of the British sailing ship was related at the ninth annual meeting of the British Sailing Ship Owners' Association, Ltd., held at the Chamber of Shipping.

Mr. A. Westcott (Plymouth), the chairman, said that since the report was published, shipowners whose vessels carry cargoes in the coasting trade in competition with the railway companies have been much disturbed at the policy of the Government in giving the railway companies the benefit of the de-rating relief ahead of the time when the whole scheme will be put into operation.

Dock authorities and shipowners have urged upon the Government that unless sea transport is put on an equal footing with railway transport as regards the date from which the relief is to commence, the balance of transport will be disturbed by the diversion of traffic from sea to rail, shippers will be deprived of their alternative of sea carriage, facilities and labour at the ports will be thrown out of use, and serious injury will be caused to the coasting trade.

I cannot think the Government will permit such injustice to follow from its action, but that by giving attention to the warning of the dock authorities it will complete its work with equity and to general advantage.

Conditions are such as to drive us in the sailing ship trade to any length in seeking or even making business. For instance, one of our members owning a sailing barge of 77 net tons, finding no road materials or other cargoes to carry, recently took the risk of purchasing a cargo of coal at Hull, which he carried in his vessel to a port in Suffolk, and then retailed it locally after helping to discharge the cargo with his own hands.

Lower Freight

The Chamber of Shipping index, which deals only with steamer freights, shows that the last few months have seen the usual seasonal improvement in the position, although steamer freights have for the whole ten months been lower.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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THE Motor Vessel "LEVERBANK"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 12th January, 1929, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Under-signed on or before 19th January, 1929, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Saturday, 12th January, 1929, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Anderson & Ashie on the 10th January, 1929, at 10 a.m.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Under-signed before the 16th January, 1929, or they will not be recognized.

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during 1928 than in 1927. The experience of the sailing ship industry during 1928 has been similar to that of its younger but bigger brother.

The quarterly statistics published by the Chamber of Shipping of the tonnage do not show sailing vessels separately. It is, therefore, a matter of interest to note that the annual statement of "The Navigation and Shipping of the United Kingdom" for the year 1927 records that there were 14 sailing vessels of 6,695 net tons which, although sea traders previously had by December 31, 1927, been unemployed for more than two years, and 4 sailing vessels of 992 net tons which had been unemployed for more than one year and less than two years.

Sentimental Regret

One notes with a certain amount of sentimental regret that the Departmental Committee on Board of Trade Examinations for Masters' Certificates in its report recently issued has recognised that a seaman need know nothing about sailing ships and yet be a competent navigating officer. While that committee think it desirable to retain an optional sailing ship qualification, they recommend that such special competency should take the form of an endorsement on the ordinary certificates.

The membership of the association for the year consisted of 664 ships of 51,905 net tons belonging to 343 owners. While these figures show, as was to be expected, a slight reduction in the figures for the previous year, there is still reason to believe that the membership of the association comprises practically the whole of the British sailing ship tonnage actually engaged in sea trade.

The report and accounts were carried. Mr. A. Nicholls moved, and Mr. A. Marwood seconded, the following resolution, which was carried:—"That this British Sailing Ship Owners' Association desires to call attention to the position in which coasting transport is placed by the anticipation of re-rating in favour of the railways and not of the docks, and to the fact that unless a special scheme is adopted immediately diversion of traffic will take place, causing unemployment in both men and facilities at the docks, injustice to coasting shipowners, and injury to the traders, who will be deprived of their normal facilities, and desires that the Government and Parliament be urged to deal with the situation immediately."

Mr. A. Anderson moved, and Mr. S. West seconded, the following resolution on unsafe berths, which was carried:—"That this British Sailing Ship Owners' Association—(1) reaffirms its resolution of December 6, 1927; (2) urges the Chamber of Shipping to do everything in its power to bring the matter to a satisfactory conclusion; and (3) suggests that, if necessary, members of Parliament be asked to draw the attention of the House of Commons to the unsatisfactory conditions of affairs."

Charter-Parties
Mr. C. Cremer moved, and Mr. R. S. Coles seconded, the following resolution, which was carried:—"That this British Sailing Ship Owners' Association—(1) recognises that the power of shipowners to secure fair and reasonable terms of charter-parties must be in direct relation to the completeness of their documentary organisation; (2) welcomes the action of the Chamber of Shipping in investigating the matter in close association with the clubs, and (3) having in mind that the improvement of charter-parties is one of the most important functions of the association, earnestly hopes that the sailing ship clubs will co-operate wholeheartedly with the Chamber in the investigations which are being made, and stresses the need of the association's membership, including every British sea-going sailing vessel, in order that the industry can present a solid front."

Mr. T. W. Crouch moved, and Mr. N. S. Furneaux seconded, the following resolution, which was carried:—"That this British Sailing Ship Owners' Association resolves that further representations be made to His Majesty's Government urging them to take steps to amend the standard form of emergency regulations dealing with the detention of vessels, so that when shipping is deliberately detained through the refusal of customs clearance, the object being to hold such vessels or their cargoes at the disposal of the Government, due compensation is paid in respect of such vessels."

Northern Ireland Lead
Mr. A. Nicholls, in the course of his speech on de-rating, said:—"The coasting shipowner has been carrying on under the threat of bankruptcy or compulsory liquidation for the past seven years; and he has no fund to offset the subsidy which the taxpayer has to provide for the railways. It is clearly not the intention of the Government to deprive the agri-

cultural and other specified shipowners of the benefit of sea transport, or to cause the dislocation and loss that is bound to result if the matter is allowed to drift, and I hope with the good offices of the Chamber of Shipping and the Shipowners' Parliamentary Committee the Government and Parliament will be persuaded to take immediate action. Only this morning I have been told that so far as Northern Ireland is concerned, pending the adoption of a permanent bill there, the transitional scheme applies the de-rating benefits to the docks as well as to the railways as from December 1 last.

Mr. T. W. Crouch, in moving the emergency regulations resolution, criticised the Government, and added:—"Three times running in a period of national emergency the Government has found it desirable to secure the special service from owners of vessels which happen to have coal laden aboard of them. We don't ask a special remuneration notwithstanding that our services at such times are of special value. We only ask that we should not be compelled to suffer loss as compared with the return we should receive in the market."

PASSENGER LISTS

ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong from Australian ports via Manila by the a.s. "Taiping" were:—

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hammond, Miss K. A. Ford, Mrs. L. Fergie, Mrs. E. O. Drake and two children, Miss A. Clinton, Mr. R. Hall, Mr. J. Smith, Mr. C. H. Hudson, Mr. N. E. Yates, Mr. F. C. Stephen, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Spender, Mr. L. G. Baxter, Miss Eva Lennon, Mr. W. J. Brown, Mr. W. R. Kennedy, Miss M. Owen, Miss J. Brown, Miss M. Mackinlay, Miss Edghe, Mr. J. Doble, Mr. McKee, Miss McQuire, and Miss Kendon.

DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed by the Dollar Steamship Line "President" for Seattle and ports to-day were:—

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Pres. Lincoln Jan. 29th 6 p.m. Pres. Pierce Feb. 16th 6 p.m.

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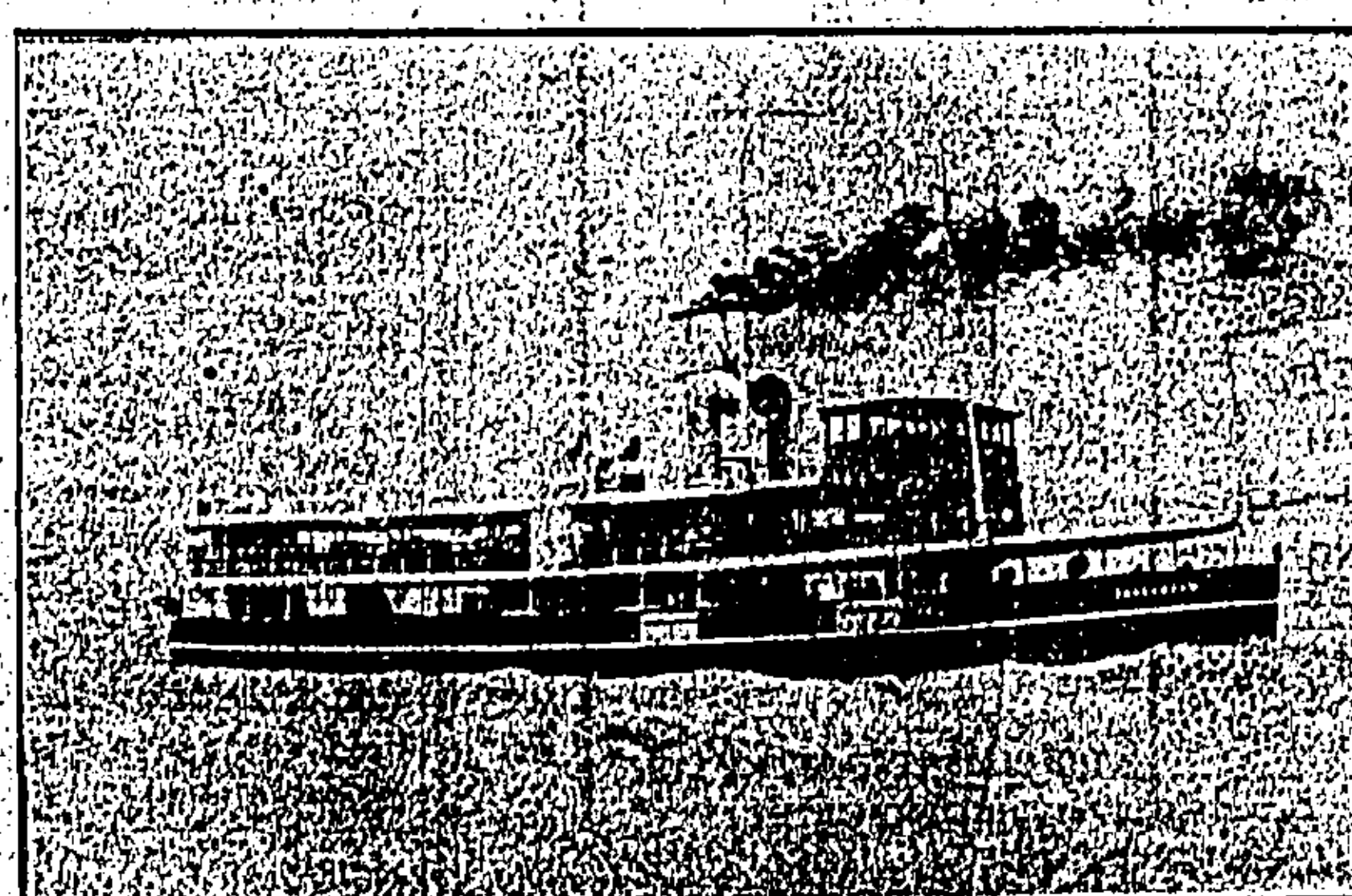
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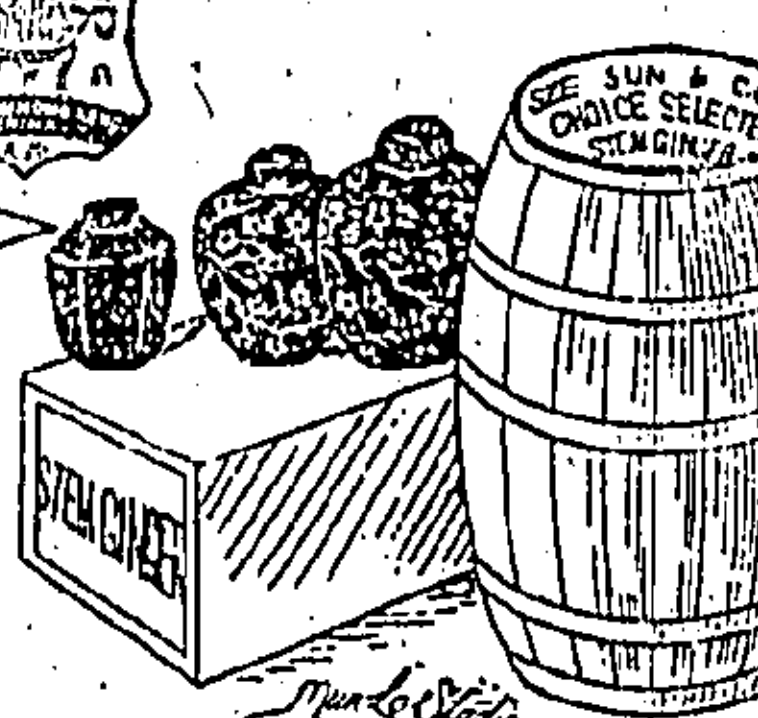
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CHINA TO-DAY

New relations having been
established with all the Powers
excepting Japan, a national con-
vention being due shortly, and a
conference in session at the
moment to devise means for
ridding the country of one of
its greatest evils, it will
be useful at this stage to
take stock, briefly, of the
position in China. In the realm of
diplomacy it is hardly likely that
Dr. Chengting Wang, the Minis-
ter for Foreign Affairs, will be
content to rest on his laurels.
Japan's attitude is clear; there
will be no change in spite of the
boycott. The other nations have
revised their outlook towards
China and generally accorded re-
cognition, which has been with-
held since Tuan Chi-jui was made
Chief Executive. Some of the
smaller nations have surrendered
extraterritoriality; the bigger
ones have not and are unlikely to
do so until sustained improve-
ment is shown. The only cloud
on the horizon, therefore, is
Japan, especially as regards her
continued occupation of parts of
Shantung province, coupled with
the declaration that Tokyo will
hold out for settlement of out-
standing questions.

By deciding to retain an expedi-
tionary force in Shantung, Japan
is exercising an indirect but re-
straining influence on Chinese
politics. One of the main if not
the most important factors is
Feng Yu-shiang, better known as
the "Christian General" who
holds more than one important
office in the National Government,
including that of Minister for
War. He is daily to be seen

thing rash until Shantung is clear
to him. And domestic politics
have been somewhat overshadowed
by other events. The present
condition of affairs, however, will
not remain for long. Talk of re-
call of the Leftist leaders is too
persistent to be ignored. The
day may not be far off when Mr.
Wang Ching-wai, Madame Sun
Yat-sen and others may be in-
vited to rejoin the Government
at Nanking. With obstructionists
out of the way, it does seem as
if an attempt is being made to
add to the constitution of the
coalition of the talents. Which is
all to the good and as it should
be, provided the country is placed
before private ambitions.

Until views are converted into
needs, we prefer to defer en-
thusiasm about the Disbandment
Conference now being held.
Even if only one of the major
objectives is reached, that of
drastic reduction of the armed
units from over 2,000,000 to, say,
about 600,000, much will have
been achieved and great benefit
bestowed on the people. Although
there are many, apparently in-
superable difficulties to overcome,
a working basis might be arrived
at whereby each super-general,
and each general under him in
turn, agrees to cut down his fight-
ing strength. On paper at least,
the balance of power provincially
will not be upset. But to hope
that, as the result of one confer-
ence, it will be possible to cen-
tralise the administration of the
Army, can hardly be taken seri-
ously. At the moment some of
the armies are materially differ-
ent from others. There is one
good sign, though. The generals
who began their careers as out-
laws of one kind or another are
rapidly disappearing. The num-
ber of "ranker" generals can be
counted on the fingers of one
hand. The majority of senior
officers are educated men and
have had some kind of training.
With their former association as
cadets serving as a background of
common fellowship, the generals
in session ought to be able to
accomplish something advantage-
ous to the people who pay them.

A Harsh Sentence
In yesterday's "China Mail" it
would be noticed that Mr. E. W.
Hamilton, the Kowloon Magis-
trate, had increased the bail of a
Chinese schoolboy, who was
alleged to have evaded payment
of fare on a Kowloon bus, from
\$25 to \$100. The defendant having
stated that he had a witness who
could testify to his (defendant's)
never having been asked for his
fare. Evidently defendant wished
to convey the idea that, in not
having been asked, he had un-
wittingly neglected to pay. We
see nothing in that to justify the

severe attitude of the Magistrate
and his extraordinary increase in
the amount of bail. Worse fol-
lows, as later the Magistrate
fined the lad \$50 and said
something about caning him.
Rank dishonesty, as the magis-
trate evidently thought, probably
was in evidence, but surely "the
punishment does not fit the
crime." Schoolboys are the same
the world over and this lad who
has done the same thing whenever he
has had an opportunity. And this
sort of thing is by no means con-
fined to schoolboys. Of course, it
should be punished when detected,
but a \$50 fine and a threat of
the cane for the "larceny" of 10
or 20 cts. by a schoolboy is out-
rageous, and such a piece of
magisterial stupidity or tyranny
—(call it what you will)—should
not go unchallenged. Had there
been evidence that the lad had
been guilty of the crime on other
occasions, the affair would have
been entirely different. There
was no such evidence, and the
sentence, we say, is much too
severe and should be brought to
the attention of the proper
authorities with a view to it
being altered. If this Kowloon
magistrate's experience of "bus
riding had been wider than it ap-
pears to be he would have known
that very frequently bus drivers
do not ask everyone for the fare.
This, of course, proves irresistible
to a schoolboy whose sense of
right and wrong is not that
of the average adult. It should
be corrected but certainly not
by means of a \$50 fine. The sentence seems to
us, and it will seem so to others,
(except perhaps to shareholders of
the "bus company") as al-
together too severe, too harsh,
unjust. It should be altered
without delay.

Mind alone can unlock the
meaning of the world for the
foundations of the universe are
lain in Spirit. If we would be
free, we must think ourselves
free. To the degree that we are
ignorant we are slaves.—Francis
C. Lockwood.

Lt.-Col. F. Eaves returned to
the Colony by the "President
Taft" yesterday.

The "China Mail" regrets to
learn that Mr. Lloyd Kay, the
senior wharfinger in the Hong
Kong & Kowloon Wharf &
Godown Co., Ltd., is seriously ill
in the French Convent Hospital.

Attention is drawn to the
opening of the Grill in the Rose
room of the Peninsula Hotel on
Saturday, January 12. This will
take the form of a Carnival din-
ner dance. Tables can be booked
at the Hong Kong or Peninsula
Hotels.

During the two days of the
New Territories Agricultural
Show, the Kowloon Motor Bus
Company operated three buses
from surrounding points, and
collected in fares \$64.45. This
sum the Company has donated to
the funds of the Show.

At the Central Magistracy this
morning, Major C. Willson,
O.B.E., imposed a fine of \$100, or,
in default, six weeks' hard labour
on a Chinese charged with allow-
ing the third floor of No. 66, Con-
naught-road Central to be used
for an immoral purpose.

The many friends of Mr. T.
Hynes, Superintendent of Mails
in the General Post Office, will be
pleased to learn that he is short-
ly leaving the Government Civil
Hospital where he has been for
some time. Rupture, for which
he was operated upon, was the
cause of his illness.

Revenue Officer A. W. Grim-
mitt, who played in Hong Kong's
victorious lawn bowls team at
Shanghai, is recovering from an
attack of appendicitis, for which
he underwent an operation in the
Victoria Hospital, the Peak. Pre-
sent indications are that he will
be able to leave hospital shortly.

Two Police brides are coming
out on the P. & O. s.s. "Mac-
donia," due in Hong Kong from
London on Feb. 1. They are Miss
T. Morrissey, No. 14, Parliament-
street, Waterford, Ireland, who is
to marry Sgt. J. O'Donovan of
Central Station; and Miss M.
McIntosh, No. 103, Strathmartine-
road, Dundee, Scotland, who is to
marry Police Constable R. R.
McGwen, also of Central Station.

Among the passengers aboard
the "Prestige" which left for
Seattle via ports this morning
were: — Mr. R. C. Brady, repre-
sentative of the Oxford Univer-
sity Printing Press, returning to
London via the "United States";
Mr. W. K. Chung, President of
the Linguam University, Canton,
making a business trip to the
North; Mr. and Mrs. G. B.
Enders, travelling to Shanghai
for the American Milk Products
Co.; and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shand,
going to Shanghai. Mr. Shand is
the head of the Hong Kong Pile
Driving and Excavation Co.

"PYGMALION"

THE MACDONA PLAYERS AT
THEATRE ROYAL

"SHAVIAN" AUDACITIES

The audacities of Mr. George
Bernard Shaw are given full
scope in his five-act play
"Pygmalion," with which the
very highly talented Macdonna
Players began their Hong Kong
season last night. This is the
play, it will be recalled, in which
Shaw, with unparalleled audacity,
vulgarily trounced the British (or
more likely the whole world—for
Shaw, as a reformer, has a very
big opinion of himself) on the
shocking manner in which certain
sections outrage "the noble
language of Shakespeare and
Milton." Shaw's rough and ready
remedy is to place the mat-
ter in the hands of ruth-
less and extremely badly-
mannered enthusiasts of pho-
netics—and the trick is to be
done "in six months." Pygma-
lion makes the wonderful experi-
ment with a Cockney flower girl,
True to his theories, Shaw en-
tirely ignores the human element,
introduces all sorts of verbal
nonsensicalities, funny of course,
but mostly in very bad taste.

The Play

Excellent played though
"Pygmalion" is by the Macdonna
Players, the presentation clearly
proves that Shaw is much better
to read than to see acted—he is,
in the language of another day,
a writer for "the closet" not for
the stage. To "Shavian" devotees
this, of course, will sound like
sacrilege, but a little reflection
will, perhaps, convince them that
a reformer need not use the
methods of something very close-
ly akin to those of the black-
guard. There can be little doubt
of it, Shaw has much more auda-
city than genius. Of course if
Shaw is not taken seriously the
matter is entirely different; but
Shaw is very much in earnest.
He is a ruthless iconoclast, a
rationalist in whose mind there is
no room for kindly feeling—and
that is where he fails. That is
why "Pygmalion" is, on the
whole, a disappointment. When,
in the history of the nation, was
the language of the people gen-
erally that of Shakespeare or
Milton? Is it desirable that it
should be? Shaw evidently
thinks so. Why then does he not
set a better example in his play?
His phonetics professor is an
impossible crank, almost a
Frankenstein, and his experiment
with the flower girl is an outrage.

Because of these and other de-
fects "Pygmalion" cannot be re-
garded as otherwise than a
mediocre play, and last night it
was tolerable simply because it
was wonderfully well acted.

The Players

Miss Joan Hopegood, as Eliza
the flower-girl, was a revelation.
She is an extraordinarily able
actress—one of the best, we firm-
ly believe, on the English stage
at the present moment. Her
voice is magnificent. She should
be acting in the West End
theatres of London, not risking
her health in the tropics. Mr.
Stanley Drewitt, as Colonel
Pickering, was excellent. His
finished style is quite delightful.
He is a consummate artist, one of
the best actors we have seen on
the stage out here for a long time.
Mr. A. S. Homewood as a Lon-
don dustman proved himself to
be something more than a clever
"character" actor, and we look
forward to seeing him in another
part. In fact, the whole com-
pany are remarkably able and,
playing Shaw continuously as
they do, they are practically per-
fect in their respective parts.
Mr. Terence O'Brien did not ap-
pear to be ideally cast for the part
of the Professor of Phonetics. As
the poet in "Candida" he would be
much more in his element. He is
not quite ruthless enough, not
loud-mouthed enough, as the
eccentric and outrageously bad-
mannered Professor of Phonetics.
Joan Blair as Mrs. Higgins, the
professor's very sensible mamma,
and Muriel Hutchison, as Mrs.
Pearce, his prim housekeeper,
were among the cast's outstand-
ing successes.

A "Shavian" play is, of course,
whether or not one agrees with
the dramatist's reforming
methods—exceedingly entertain-
ing, and that, after all, is not the
supreme merit of a play, certainly
is what most play-goers want.

The Macdonna Players are a
highly accomplished body of
actresses and actors, and we have
the utmost pleasure in recom-
mending them to Hong Kong's
play-goers.

To-night they produce "Man
and Superman."

LAND SALES

Two lots of Crown land were
sold at the upset price at the
Crown Land Office yesterday.
The first lot was knocked down
to Mr. Kwan Choo No. 22,
Belcher's street, for \$1,740. This
lot, which is at Cheung Sha Wan
road, Shamshuipo, and is known
as New Kowloon Inland Lot No.

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

"Do you know, my dear, I think
I played better golf four years
ago."
"Yes, Clarence, I remember
hearing you say so at the time."

Cecil: "I love you better than
my life."
Cecilia: "Well, considering the
life you lead, that's no surprise."

She: "He has a most extra-
ordinary figure, hasn't he?"
He: "That's so. I believe an
umbrella is the only thing he can
buy ready-made."

Mrs. Gossyppe: "Mr. Lazy-
bones left everything to his
wife, I hear."
Mrs. Skandyl: "He always
did, my dear."

"Are you sure this is to-day's
bread, because yesterday's
wasn't," said a woman in a Lan-
cashire confectionery shop the
other day.

"That night I heard burglars,
and you should have seen me dash
downstairs!"
"Ah! They were on the roof of
course?"

"Tis a hard world," said Pat
as he finished work for the day,
and put his tools away.
"Sure, I think that every toime
I put me pick into it," rejoined
Mike.

Doctor: "Is the boy swallowing
the pills any better now?"
Mother: "Rather, doctor! 'E's
been practising with orange pips
an' didn't get stuck with one of
'em."

Lady (to assistant in large
store): "I want a new dial for
my clock, please."
Assistant (absent-mindedly):
"Beauty parlour, third floor,
madam."

They were married at the be-
ginning of December, and the
twenty-fifth was approaching.

"You know, little wife," he said
one evening, "we mustn't have
any secrets from each other, must
we, sweet one?"
"No, darling," she whispered.

"So," he continued, "I want
you to tell me how much you in-
tend spending on a Christmas pre-
sent for me, so that I can calcu-
late how much money I shall have
left to buy one for you."

Two business men were discuss-
ing the various methods of de-
scribing the character.

"Do you believe," asked one,
"that the character is clearly in-
dicated in handwriting?"

"I do," firmly replied the other,
who apparently had received evi-
dence on the question. "For in-
stance, you can always tell an ab-
sconding cashier by his slope."

An old professor at one of the
universities was a keen devotee
of the game of billiards. One
day, while lecturing to a class in
mathematics, he said, taking up
his pointer and chalk, "Now, we
start with this formula."

To his amazement he was in-
terrupted by a round of laughter
and applause.

Absent-mindedly he had chalked
the end of the pointer.

A stout woman wearing a very
tight riding habit was taking her
morning canter in the park ac-
companied by her husband. Sud-
denly a button, unable to stand
the pressure, flew off her coat.

"Dear, dear!" she exclaimed,
fretfully, "what makes these but-
tons come off?"

"H'm," commented her hus-
band, "force of habit, I suppose!"

"What! Hawkins dead?" ex-
claimed the chaplain to the ward-
er, upon entering the prison and
learning that an inmate had ex-
pired. "Why did you not ac-
quaint me?"

"Well, sir, it were midnight,"
stolidly replied the officer, "and
I didn't like to disturb you—but
I managed it all right myself."

"Awkins," says I, "you've
been a bad'un."

"Yes," says he.
"Awkins, you can't expect to
go to heaven."

"No," says he.
"Then you must go to the
other place."

"Yes," says he.
"And, oh, Awkins," says I,
"How thankful you ought to be to
have anywhere to go: at all!"

And he died peacefully, sir."

1196, has an area of about 1,160
square feet. The Crown annual
rental on the lot is \$8.

The second lot is at the jun-
ction of Tin Liu street and Fel-
low street, Shamshuipo. It is about
5,400 square feet and its Crown
annual rental is \$38. This lot
was knocked down to Mr. Lam
Shui No. 17, Nanking street, for
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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The "China Mail" is in receipt of the following communication from Sir Henry Japp, K.B.E., of the Press Committee, The Christian Science Parent Church, Victoria House, Southampton-row, London, under date December 1, 1928:

The admirable letter signed by Fair Play III. appearing in your issue of November 7 would have convinced Mr. Adler of the falseness of his standpoint had he not been morally blinded by his disobedience to Mrs. Eddy's Church Manual which he professes to uphold so valiantly. Like the proverbial dog in the manger he will not obey the Manual himself and states that the Christian Science Parent Church "has no right to associate itself with that book." Mr. Adler's quotation of part of Article XXIII stating that each branch church shall continue its present form of government "in consonance with the Mother Church Manual," can be interpreted only by studying what the Manual says about branch churches. This Article commences, "The Mother Church of Christ, Scientist, shall assume no general official control of other churches, and shall be controlled by none other. Each Church of Christ, Scientist, shall have its own form of government."

As every member of a branch church knows, the directors of the Boston organization are constantly interfering with the government of the branch churches thus breaking this by-law. Through their lecturers, their Committee's on Publication and through their teachers, the directors in Boston have established a political organization that dominates the branch churches. Any church which does not pass frequent resolutions of loyalty to the directors is looked upon as a schismatic and treated accordingly. This by-law was prepared by Mrs. Eddy to give the branch churches the protection they require from such political wire-pulling.

In this way she made it possible for a branch church to take the step of dissolving its connection with the false legalised political organization which has succeeded her spiritually organized church, when her true successor appears. Thus she provided for her Manual plan of further unfoldment and successive leadership to be embodied at the right time. Mr. Adler's statement that Mrs. Eddy said that no one would be her successor he supports by four words only, which are taken from one of her church in 1900 she wrote, "My loyal students will tell you that for many years I have desired to step aside and to have some one take my place as leader of this mighty movement." As Mr. Adler does not tell us this, but the reverse, he can surely be classified as a disloyal student. Mr. Adam Dickey acted as secretary to Mrs. Eddy and after her decease he became a director of the Boston organization. While still a director he wrote, "Memoirs of Mary Baker Eddy." In this book Mr. Dickey writes, "She (Mrs. Eddy) saw the possibility of future attacks of mortal mind upon her beloved Church and her constant anxiety was for its preservation and future unfoldment. In order to be perpetuated, her Church must necessarily follow Divine inspiration and not be the product of legal enactments or worldly-wise evolutions. She told me that every government, every organization, every institution of whatever kind or nature, to be successful, must have one responsible head. This is why she placed herself at the head of her own Church, because mortal mind could not be trusted to conduct it. . . . Indeed, she told me, with pathos and earnestness, that if she could find one individual, who was spiritually equipped, she would immediately place him at the head of her church government." Mr. Dickey acted as her secretary for the last two years of her life, so that this confirms her intention up to the last to have a successor.

Her fears have been realised. What remains of her church has become the product of legal enactments. The directors have obtained legal permission to break the by-laws. Mr. Adler states that there are at least six instances in which Mrs. Eddy deliberately expressed her intention that the Mother Church should continue to exist and function presumably by legal enactments as it is now doing if and when she could not be consulted, but he gives not one instance. He goes on to say that The Christian Science Parent Church is persistently and deceptively endeavouring to dissemble its misleading assertions intended to displace Mrs. Eddy in her relation to Christian Science and to destroy an essential part of her work. Nothing could be further from the truth. Just as Mrs. Eddy's teaching enlarges one's understanding of the scriptures and exalts Christ, Jesus, and his life work, so does the teaching of Mrs. Annie C. Bill enlarge one's understanding of "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" and increase one's appreciation of Mrs.

Eddy and her Church Manual. While Mrs. Eddy's teaching is a veritable key to the Scriptures and illumines the Bible pages, Mrs. Bill's book, "Science, Evolution and Immortality," throws a continuous ray of light along the sacred record linking it into one continuous whole.

Mr. Adler's statement that the directors of the Boston organization have faithfully obeyed Mrs. Eddy's Manual shows that he has been so mesmerised by this lie that he now really believes it. Article I. Section 3 of the Manual reads, "The term of office for the Clerk and the Treasurer of this Church (also for the editors and the manager of The Christian Science Publishing Society, and the manager of the general Committee on Publication in Boston) is one year each, dating from the time of election to office. Incumbents who have served for one year or more, may be re-elected, or new officers elected, at the annual meeting held for this purpose, by a unanimous vote of the Christian Science Board of Directors and the consent of the Pastor Emeritus (Mrs. Eddy) given in her own handwriting." This is only one of many by-laws all of which require Mrs. Eddy's handwritten consent or in some cases verbal consent. So disastrous was Mrs. Eddy that no by-law should be disregarded or amended or annulled that her last by-law reads, "No new Tenet or By-Law shall be adopted, nor any Tenet or By-Law amended or annulled, without the written consent of Mary Baker Eddy, the author of our text-book, Science and Health." In her deeds conveying church property she inserted a clause, "this property is conveyed on the further trusts that no new Tenet or By-Law shall be adopted, etc." as in the above by-law.

Now, how can Mr. Adler say that the directors are obeying the Manual by-law? As Fair Play III. writes the members of the Boston organization have no more faithful friends than the Members of The Christian Science Parent Church who are fearlessly exposing the increasing danger of the perversion of Mrs. Eddy's Manual. In a previous letter Mr. Adler misrepresented the co-operation of The Christian Science Parent Church with medical practice by saying that this co-operation was to take place not only in extreme cases but in every case. If you will be good enough to publish the new by-laws enclosed herewith covering this co-operation it will be seen that Mr. Adler is quite wrong in his interpretation.

Yours faithfully,

HENRY JAPP,

Press Committee, The Christian Science Parent Church.

New Christian Science By-Laws

Three new by-laws have been adopted by the Christian Science Parent Church, a movement established four years ago as an international organization. This Church was founded by Christian Scientists who were once connected with the original Christian Science organization, but who discontinued their connection with that organization owing to their disagreement with certain rules of the faith.

The new by-laws approve of a policy of co-operation with medical science. They are as follows: (1) Duty to Patients.—In our model manual Mary Baker Eddy provided as follows:—"If a member of this Church has a patient whom he does not heal, and whose case he cannot fully diagnose, he may consult with an M.D. on the anatomy involved. And it shall be the privilege of a Christian Scientist to confer with an M.D. on ontology, or the science of being." In the broader development of Christian Science, mind-healing there must be "equal rights and privileges," therefore when aid is sought from a Christian Science practitioner who is a member of this Church by one who is receiving medical or surgical aid (provided the doctor or surgeon has approved such a request), or when a surgeon or a medical practitioner of recognized standing shall consult a member of this Church on the psychological aspect of a patient, it shall be the privilege of a Christian Scientist to confer with the physician or surgeon on the science of mind and render the metaphysical aid required. The legitimate Christian Scientist is a true mental specialist.

(2) No Interference or Rivalry.—A member of this Church shall not study anatomy, medicine, or surgery, neither shall he meddle in any way in medical or surgical practice, but shall leave such practice entirely in the hands of those duly qualified and legally authorized therefor. Members of this Church shall at all times maintain their practice upon a purely metaphysical basis, lifting the thoughts of the patient to the higher standpoint of life and its practical, scientific demonstration.

(3) Fees of Christian Science Practitioners.—A member of this Church shall render his services as a practitioner of legitimate Christian Science for such remuneration as shall be consistent with the spirit of its teachings. The practice of Christian Science healing is a sacred ministry into which neither commercialism nor financial rivalry with medical specialists can enter.

A proposal for the issue of a new set of stamps bearing the portraits of noted Kuomintang leaders, such as Dr. Sun Yat-sen, Messrs. Kung Ko-chan, Soong Chiao-jen, Chen Ying-ze, etc., was made by Mr. Sun Fo, Minister of Railways, before a meeting of the National Affairs Committee. The Minister also made a suggestion that an honorary medal be granted to Gen. Chung Wei-chung, the Chinese "Lindberg."

CORRESPONDENCE

THEATRE LATE-COMERS

(To the Editor of the "China Mail".)

Sir,—When, oh when! will Hong Kong folks try to go to theatrical performances at the advertised time. Is 9.15 really too early? Last night fully two-thirds of the dress circle occupants were late—some decidedly late. Of course they cause a lot of inconvenience to those already in the theatre. I wonder if that worries them as much as it does those seated?

Yours etc.,
Play-Goer.

WOMAN IN ARCTIC

BISHOP'S WIFE WHO PREFERS WILDS TO CIVILISATION

Dr. Isaac O. Stringer, the Anglican bishop of the Yukon, known among his colleagues as the "Bishop of the North Pole," arrived in London recently to represent Canada at the enthronement of Dr. Cosmo Lang as Archbishop of Canterbury.

Dr. Stringer, a tall, well-built man with a sunny smile, is a striking example of that muscular Christianity which enables him to control a diocese extending over 200,000 square miles and stretching far north of the Arctic Circle.

He is accompanied by Mrs. Stringer, who has travelled thousands of miles in Arctic wastes which no other white woman has seen. During recent years she has been the bishop's constant companion, accompanying him on his long journeys by dog sleigh and on foot, sleeping in snow huts and tents in temperatures that seldom reach zero and are often 40 degrees below.

Wonderful Summers
Dr. Stringer said to a "Daily Mail" reporter:

At my headquarters at Dawson, which is 64 degrees north, the summers are wonderful. From June to October we can grow almost everything that is found anywhere else in Canada, but then the temperature drops suddenly.

Our population is the most mixed it is possible to find. They are prospectors, traders, fur-trappers, Eskimos, and Met Indians. Last year I ordained the first Eskimo priest, and eight Indians have been ordained to the ministry.

Dawson the mining headquarters, is a ghost town of shattered illusions. There are old men who have been there since the gold rush began and now can hardly hobble along, but who still go out with pick and shovel in the hope that one day they will "strike it rich."

Mrs. Stringer, a bright-eyed, motherly woman, declared that although she had frequently been 250 miles from the nearest white woman she had never wanted to get back to civilisation. On one occasion an Eskimo girl dashed into my earth-walled house followed by her husband, who was chasing her with a murderous-looking knife. I went up to him and he stopped timidly. Afterwards he told my husband that he was going to kill the woman because she refused to clean her daughter's boots!

I have brought up a family of five children in the Arctic regions and I simply love the country. My daughter, who was born in the Arctic, is now a missionary in India.

BACON SONG FILMED

165 CINEMAS TO PLAY THE "EAR-CATCHER"

The joke-song, "Why is the bacon so tough?" is to experience yet another incarnation.

It has been sung, played as a dance, rendered on the organ, and turned into a theatrical sketch. Its next step is to appear as a film for "Eve's Review." The author, Reginald Arkell, and the composer, Charles Prentice, are both to figure in this picture.

Further, the 165 cinemas of the Gaumont British circuit have applied for band parts and chorus slides, and the publishers, Messrs. Ascherberg, Hopwood, and Crew, Ltd., are doing their very best to cope with this rush, in addition to supplying the heavy demand from other quarters.

In an attempt to analyse the reason for the success of this song, the price of which is 2s. net, an expert in entertaining the public, considered that its return to purely English humour was really a novelty in these days. There was also an artificial trick in the refrain—a swelling three-fold repetition, working up to a climax—which was irresistible to anyone with a sense of rhythm.

Clergy of Carlisle diocese have decided by a substantial majority to support the bishops' proposals in connection with the Prayer Book.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

To-day—Theatre Royal: The Macdonna Players present "Man And Superman" at 9.15 p.m.
To-day—Queen's Theatre, "Circus Rookies."

To-day—World Theatre: "Topsy And Eva."
To-day—Star Theatre: "On Your Toes."

To-day—Star Theatre: Reerele Amateur Players present "What Happened To Jones," 9.15 p.m.
To-day—Majestic Theatre: "Wild Wild Susan."

Jan. 9-10—World Theatre: "On Your Toes" (at 5.10 & 9.15) Chinese Picture "A Emancipators" (at 2.30 & 7.15).

Jan. 9-10—World Theatre: "The Escape."
Jan. 9-10—Star Theatre: "Tess of d'Urbervilles."

Jan. 9-12—Queen's Theatre: "The Way of All Flesh."
Jan. 11-12—Star Theatre: "Proud Flesh."

Jan. 11-12—World Theatre: "On Your Toes."
Jan. 13-14—Queen's Theatre: "Buttons."

Jan. 13-14—World Theatre: "Ben Hur."
Jan. 13-14—Star Theatre: "The Humming Bird."

Jan. 15-16—Queen's Theatre: "Love Hungry."
Jan. 15-16—World Theatre: "The Humming Bird" (at 5.10 & 9.15); Chinese picture "The Spiders" (at 2.30 & 7.15).

Jan. 15-16—Star Theatre: "Dangerous Money."
Jan. 17-18—World Theatre: "Dangerous Money" (at 5.10 & 9.15); Chinese picture "The Spiders" (at 2.30 & 7.15).

Jan. 17-18—Star Theatre: "Proud Flesh."
Jan. 17-19—Queen's Theatre: "The Enemy."

Jan. 19-20—World Theatre: "Hot Water."
Jan. 19-20—Star Theatre: "The Love of Pharaoh."

Meetings
To-day—Monthly meeting of Members of Marine Engineers' Guild at David House, 87, Des Voeux-rd., 6 p.m.

Jan. 11—Extraordinary general meeting of members of the Kowloon Cricket Club, Club House, 6 p.m.

Jan. 11—Hong Kong Football Referees' Association meeting, Chaplain's Hut, Scandal-Pt., 5 p.m.

Jan. 13—H.K.V.D.C. No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club meeting, Peak Range, 5.30 a.m.

Jan. 17—Meeting of Creditors of the Hong Kong Finance & Investment Co., Ltd., at 6, Des Voeux-rd. Central (4th Floor), noon.

Feb. 2—Extraordinary meeting of Shareholders of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, City Hall, noon.

Feb. 23—Further extraordinary meeting of shareholders of Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, City Hall, 12.45 p.m.

Miscellaneous
Jan. 8-10-15—Search light practice from Stonecutters.

Jan. 21—First Church of Christ, Scientist, free lecture on "Christian Science," Old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, 5.45 p.m.

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IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN TO JAVA

Mr. J. Jeff, Protector of Chinese, Perak, has gone to Teluk Anson on duty.

It is said that some 700 cases of ammunition, ordered by General Feng Yu-hsiang, arrived from Germany recently.

Mr. S. Yada, the Japanese Consul-General, is reported to have made a statement to the effect that the Sino-Japanese Treaty will be signed before February 1.

The students of Shanghai College recently gave an entertainment at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. to raise funds for buying Chinese books for the new College Library.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Alastair A. Inglis of E. A. Barbour and Co., Ltd., of Singapore, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis C. Inglis of Edinburgh, and Miss Dorothy Vera Snewin, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Snewin, of Singapore.

Judge M. D. Purdy of the U.S. Court for China, and Mrs. Purdy, left Shanghai by the M.M.S. "Chenonceaux" on a trip to Indo-China and the Philippine Islands, which will take about two months. They will first visit Saigon, where they will be guests of the American Consul-General.

The investigations into the damage inflicted on Britons and Americans during the Nanking Outrage have been completed and it is reported by the Chinese papers, Great Britain's share will amount to approximately \$2,000,000, while that of America will be about one-fifth that amount.

The death occurred recently at the European Hospital, Seremban, after a brief illness, of Mr. H. W. H. Dundas, of Parai Estate, Sungai Gadut. Decedent, who was only 27 years of age, had been in the country for two and a half years and counted a large circle of friends. "Malay Mail."

Caught unawares at the end of his official duties, the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gompertz), who, with Lady Gompertz, is taking his final leave of Malaya on Dec. 27, was made to receive the warm tributes of members of the Selangor Bar, who foregathered in the Supreme Court to bid him farewell, says the "Malay Mail."

M. J. Meyrier, of the French Consulate-General, who has received orders for his transfer to Tientsin as successor to M. E. Saussane, who for many years was Consul-General in that city and who has been appointed Commercial Attaché to the Legation in Peking, has postponed his departure for north China for a couple of weeks.

The wedding took place on December 6 at St. Bartholomew the Great, London, of Mr. Robert Cecil Davenport, F.R.C.S., son of the late Dr. Davenport, who for so long was connected with Shantung-road Hospital, Shanghai, and Miss Helen Elizabeth Mayfield, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., eldest daughter of Mr. P. Mayfield and the late Mrs. Mayfield of Hull.

NOTICE.

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IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED under Section 125 of the Vehicle and Traffic Regulations Ordinance No. 40, of 1912, that on and after WEDNESDAY, the 9th instant, a portion of Praya East will be temporarily CLOSED to Vehicular Traffic which will be diverted by way of the new 75 feet Road, until further notice.

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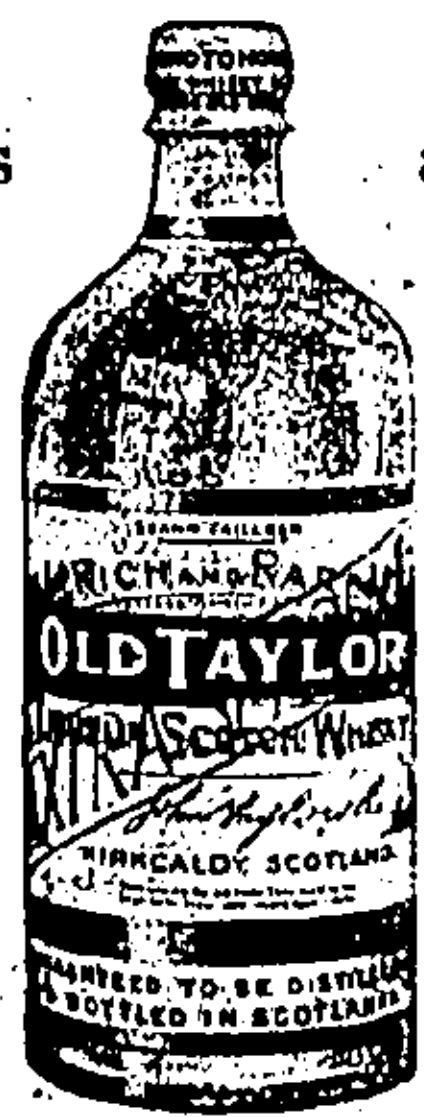


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MONEY LOAN ASSOCIATION
JUDGMENT

QUESTION OF EQUITY

Mr. Justice Jacks (Puisne Judge) delivered judgment in the Summary Court yesterday in which a Chinese trader, who is the head of a Money Loan Association, sued a Chinese restaurant for \$800. His Lordship found for plaintiff (for whom Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared). Defendants were represented by Mr. F. X. d'Almada. Extracts from the judgment follow:—

The head of the association has denied all knowledge of any transfer of the defendants' interest. It has been shown that the defendants drew \$850 and alleged that they have paid none of their subsequent subscriptions. They produced no evidence of a transfer, but only the entries from the books of their alleged transferees.

"Voluntary Society"

In the case of Chan Lu-sang v. Tam Wai-sang (H.K.L.R. Vol. XXII p. 129) Mr. Justice Wood, after reviewing earlier decisions on the legal relations existing between the members of a Money Loan Association, found himself unable to infer from a book of the rules that the intention of the members was to form a series of individual contracts with the head of the association. His view was that the Money Loan Association with which he was dealing was a "Voluntary Society" consisting of the head and the other members. Any money contributed on any occasion by constituent members is, pending allotment, the property of the society as a whole. Every member on joining the association contracted with all other members to conform to its rules. The head or any member suing on behalf of himself and all the members may sue to enforce compliance with any of the rules.

Verbal Assent

I find myself in agreement with this view. The association in the case before me is an association of ten persons or firms who met together and agreed to be bound by certain rules which had been drawn up by the head, and assented to by each member paying his contribution to the head and accepting a book of the rules for each one of the ten shares agreed to be taken.

The books of rules do not by themselves constitute the agreement, nor a series of agreement between the head and each member. The agreement is the verbal assent by each and every member to be mutually bound by the rules. The payment of the first contribution and the acceptance of a copy of the rules being evidence of that agreement.

Benefit to Each

The rules open with a recital that the association is formed with the object of affording mutual help to the members and providing an equal interest and benefit to each of them. Mutual benefit is indicated all through the rules; every member is to receive benefits and to be under corresponding obligations.

The rules make no provision for the assignment by any member of his rights or liabilities. Such a contingency does not appear to be contemplated. There is in fact a provision that the members shall pay their contributions until the termination of the association. The very nature of the association which is one of mutual trust seems to prohibit any assignment, certainly not without the consent of every other member. My view is that there can be no valid assignment of a share in a mutual contract of this kind without the consent of all the parties to the contract. The rules make no provision that the head of the association is to be responsible in any way to the other members for the default of any absconding member. There may be a custom to that effect but no evidence of such a custom was put before me.

Consensus Ad Idem

The association having reduced its rules to writing I see no justification for incorporating anything in them which the members themselves could have introduced had they so desired. The books of rules are in the nature of scrip, each book therefore should be identical, but the stamped copy which has been put in evidence in this case bears a clause at the head of it which renders the head liable to the sufferers for half the amount payable by absconding members. This is a liability which is not found in other books; it is not for the benefit of a few members only but for all the sufferers.

I am asked to rule that the agreement of the association is void because there was no consensus ad idem. It may be true that all the members did not know what rights they had against the head under this clause in respect of any losses incurred by them through the default of any one of their members, and that they were not ad idem when they consented to become

POLICE RESERVE

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"DEFENDU"

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain, Superintendent of Police:—

Training School

Classes for Police Reservists will be held as usual on Tuesday, January 8 and 15 at 6 p.m.

Chinese Company

Training.—The following members of the Chinese Company have been passed out as efficient in Part 1:—Constables R87 Wong Chung, R60 Ts'o Kon-chai, R76 Frank S. Y. Wong, R91 Wai Hin-shing, R90 Chan Hon-wing, R83 Leung Ping-tzung, and R85 Young Jacman.

Signalling.—The Signalling Squad will attend at the Company's Headquarters for instruction in Morse and Semaphore under Mr. R. C. Wilson on Tuesday, January 8 at 6 p.m. and Thursday, January 10 at 6.45 p.m.

"First Aid to the Injured."—Class for instruction in First Aid will be held at the Company's Headquarters on Wednesday, January 9 at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Lecturer: Dr. T. P. Woo, M.B., Ch. B., Edin., Divisional Surgeon of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade.

Inspection Parade.—All ranks of the Chinese Company are reminded of the Monthly Inspection Parade to be held at Central Police Station on Thursday, January 10 at 5.30 p.m. sharp. For details, see last week's orders.

Indian Company

Parade.—Members of the Indian Company are reminded of the parade to be held at the Central Police Station on Tuesday, January 8 at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Flying Squad

The next instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, January 8. Fall in at the Taim-tai-tai Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress: Winter Uniform.

The first weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Thursday, January 10. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress: Winter Uniform.

Sharpshooters' Company

Special Instruction.—On Monday, January 14 and on succeeding Mondays a parade will be held at Police Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. at which instruction will be given in the new baton drill and "Defendu." All members who can do so are urged to attend. Uniform optional.

(Sdg.) D. L. King, D.S.P. (R.)
Hong Kong, Jan. 8, 1929.

A FREE RIDE

SEVERE SENTENCE FOR
CHINESE YOUTH
STRONG COMMENT

A young Chinese who was charged with attempting to secure a ride on a Kowloon bus without paying his fare was fined \$50 by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

The defendant called a witness who said that he had boarded the bus with the defendant and sat on the same seat with him. He testified that the conductor had asked him (witness) for his ticket, to which he replied that he had a monthly ticket. He stated that the conductor did not ask the defendant for his ticket, probably believing he had one also.

Later the inspector boarded the bus and the defendant tendered his fare, which was refused.

The Magistrate did not believe the witness's story. He remarked that any honest man who intended to pay his fare would have tendered the amount when asked. He believed the witness had been coached. As to the defendant it would serve him right if he were caned but that punishment would be withheld as there was some doubt as to defendant's age, which he claimed was seventeen.

members of the association, but they have acted on the agreement such as it was.

Equity

The agreement is practically completed. All members with the exception of the defendants have fulfilled their obligations. The defendants, having received their benefits of the agreement, have not fulfilled their obligation, possibly under the impression that they had assigned their interest in the association, but I cannot allow that such an assignment was valid even if it ever took place. Under these circumstances, although the agreement may be no agreement by reason of there being no consensus ad idem, I do not consider that it is equitable at this stage to allow the only defaulting member to evade his liabilities on this ground and to take advantage of a flaw in the contract.

CHARMING FILM

"THE BIRTH OF A
FLOWER"

SHOWN AT H.M.I.

There was a large audience at the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon when an interesting educational photoplay lecture on the "Birth of a Flower," was given by Mr. Clarke Irvine, an American naturalist, writer and lecturer, who, with Mrs. Irvine, is on a world tour. They have already covered 20,000 miles in the United States, Hawaii, Samoa, Fiji, New Zealand, Australia, The Philippines, Japan, China, etc.

Yesterday's large and interested audience included His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.), Mrs. Southern, and a large party from Government House.

Mr. A. H. Crook introduced the lecturer, and made some interesting introductory remarks concerning the life of flowers, regarding which he is a well-known authority.

The "Birth of a Flower" was preceded by a scenic reel of the Yosemite Valley and the Yosemite Falls, and another showing animal life in lion and alligator farms in Los Angeles, California.

The really big film of flowers was taken with a slow-motion camera invented by Mr. A. C. Pillsbury, the official photographer of the Yosemite Valley, California, and is a real scientific marvel, the result of a number of years of research work which ultimately brought success in the devising of a perfect slow-motion camera able to make the required exposures. Operated by clockwork, the camera takes exposures at regular intervals, from a few seconds up to several hours.

All the flowers shown on the screen were wild varieties growing in the Yosemite Park, California, and it took five years to film them.

A "Naughty Flower"
Speaking about the flowers as they were flashed on the screen, Mr. Irvine explained their special peculiarities, some taking weeks to open, whilst others as short a time as 20 minutes. Much amusement was caused when the lecturer referred to one variety as the "Adolphe Menjou of the flower world." It was the only naughty flower he knew of, because it opened all night and went to sleep throughout the day! Another flower was like some stores which hold a "One Day Only Sale," they lived for only a very short period and if the bees did not make the most of it they lost a bargain.

A Query
In fact, the lecturer confessed that he had not been able to determine whether bees were made for flowers or flowers for bees, they seem to be unable to live without each other.

A well high marvellous feature of the film was the part showing the germinating pollen, taken with a double microscopic camera—another of Mr. Pillsbury's inventions. A grain of pollen which one could hardly see with the naked eyes, was magnified to three feet in diameter on the screen, and bits of protoplasm were magnified "to the size of rats." To the naked eyes, the protoplasm is invisible! If a man were magnified at the rate at which the pollen of flowers has been magnified by Mr. Pillsbury's camera, he would be 133 miles tall!

Sensitive

Another film shown by Mr. Irvine showed the drastic effect which "bootleg booze" had on flowers which quickly wither and die when placed in jars filled with the "moonshine." Some flowers were so sensitive that they withered even if two per cent of alcohol was mixed with the water from which they feed.

EX-PREMIER'S DEATH

The death of Mr. Wang Ta-hsieh, an ex-Premier of the old Northern Government of China who held several portfolios at various times, is reported by Reuter as having occurred in Peking on the evening of January 6.

Mr. G. V. Carey, educational secretary, Cambridge University Press, has been appointed to succeed Mr. E. C. Arnold as headmaster of Eastbourne College next July.

A movement is afoot to introduce a private Bill in the House of Commons at the earliest opportunity to abolish stag and fox hunting.

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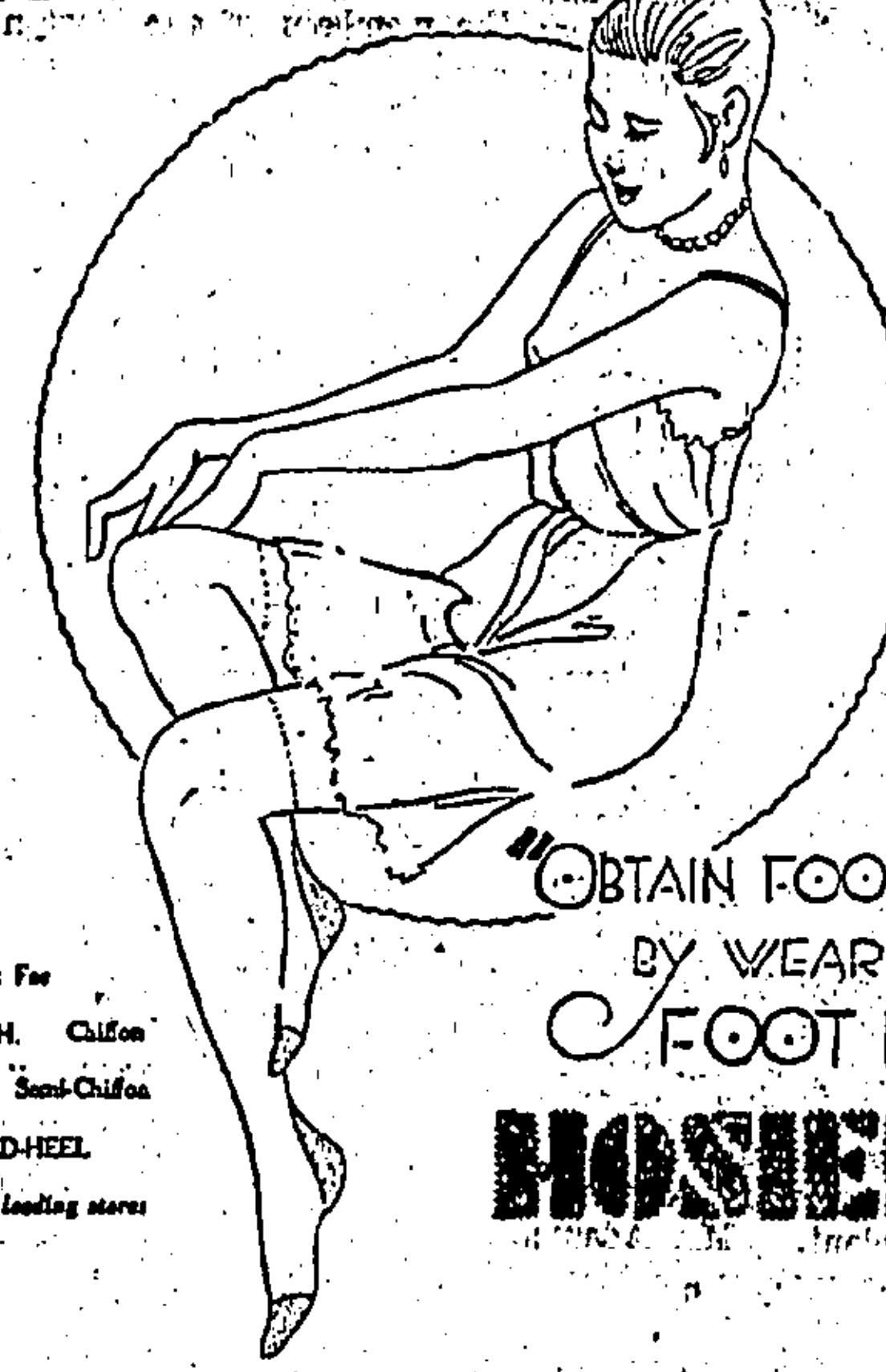
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Sport Columns

BILLIARDS

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP FOR CHINESE

TOURNEY OPENS

A billiards open singles championship of the Colony, confined to Chinese and conducted under the auspices of the South China Athletic Association, commenced on the evening of the 7th inst. with a match between Chung Chung-nin and Lau Foo-chung, which resulted in an easy win for the former by 600 to 420 points. Chung compiled breaks of 42, 20, 29, 33 and 39 (unfinished), the loser's best effort being 28.

In conjunction with the other rapidly growing activities of the Association in the way of outdoor sports, keen attention is also being paid to indoor amusements, and the club has been recently equipped with two new billiard-tables.

With the present Championship tourney in full swing, the Association's premises in China Building will be undoubtedly a rendezvous for local enthusiasts. All matches commence at 7.30 p.m. and the fixture for the first round is as follows:—

- 8 Chung Chung-nin v. Tai Hon-nam.
- 9 Kwok Cheong v. Lee Wing-yiu.
- 10 Yip Ping-lau v. Lum Shiu-man.
- 11 Yeung Pak-nin v. Ng Sze-kwong.
- 12 Yip Ping-chuen v. Leung Hon-bor.
- 13 Sinn Chim-gap v. winner of above.
- 14 Ng Sze-chung v. Leung Boon-soon.
- 15 Wong Lan-yiu v. Tai King-hing.
- 16 Lau Po-yee v. Leung Kum-kwong.

DEMPSEY'S GIFT

HANDSOME COFFIN FOR TEX RICKARD

Miami, Yesterday. Mr. Tex Rickard's coffin has been placed in a bronze casket weighing 2,200 pounds, bought by Jack Dempsey at a cost of \$3,000, and conveyed to New York for burial.

It is announced that the Sharkey-Stribling fixture is not affected by Mr. Rickard's death. Reuter's American Service.

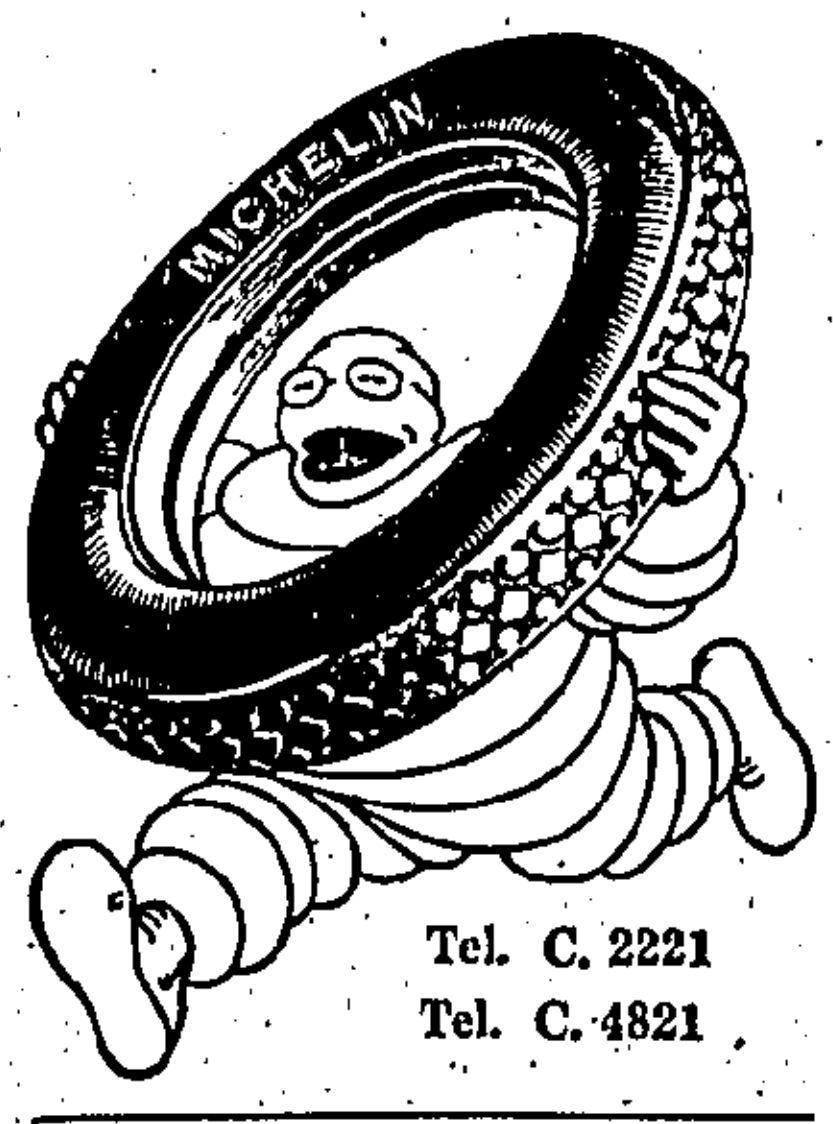
CRICKET

SOUTH AFRICA INCLUDE ANOTHER BOWLER

Cape Town, Yesterday. The South African Board of Control has decided to include in the team to tour England A. Bell (Western Province), a bowler. Reuter.

HOCKEY MATCH

At the Marina ground on Sunday, the bachelors of the Kowloon Indian Tennis Club defeated the married men in a hockey match by four goals to two.



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YACHT CLUB

LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP, 4TH RACE

18 BOATS TAKE PART

Thirteen boats took part in the fourth race of the season in the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's championship for ladies, in the racing classes.

The course of 5.9 miles was from the Club to Channel Rocks (starboard), mark in Quarry Bay (s), Kowloon Rock (port), finish at the Club.

In the Handicaps Class, "Colleen" and "La Linda" were first and second to complete the course and they saved their times on the others.

In the "Combined" class (i.e., for One Designs, Gaels and Heyward Hays), the first three boats all retained their places on handicap.

In the tabulated results given herewith, yachts are set down according to the order in which they crossed the line (i.e., on time actually taken). The positions gained in the race—for which points are awarded, to be added up for the whole season—are stated in brackets, these being based on handicap (i.e., according to "corrected" time).

Handicap Class

[Start 3 p.m.]

	Finishing	Corrected
Colleen (1st)	4:01.24	3:57.57
La Linda (2nd)	4:01.51	3:59.23
Diana (4th)	4:02.26	4:00.57
Dorothea (3rd)	4:03.42	4:00.15

Combined Class

[Start 3:05 p.m.]

Wings (1st)	4:16.50	4:14.52
Boojum (2nd)	4:17.20	4:15.22
Speedwell (3rd)	4:17.24	4:15.26
Blueose (5th)	4:20.29	4:18.31
Jeau (4th)	4:20.39	4:18.44
Why Wonder? (7th)	4:21.32	4:19.14
Pierrette (6th)	4:21.54	4:19.06
Ailsa (9th)	4:22.26	4:22.26
Lola (8th)	4:28.21	4:22.26

TENNIS MATCH

Kowloon Indian Tennis Club, on their own courts on Sunday, lost a "friendly" lawn tennis match to the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha "E" team by 21 games. Scores:—

T. Yamada and M. Kitajima, lost to Feroz Ali & M. A. Khan	5-6
beat Firdos Khan & H. Singh	8-3
beat G. A. Khan & K. Nath	7-4
T. Fujimori & G. Nakamura, beat F. Ali & M. A. Khan	8-3
beat F. Khan & H. Singh	8-3
beat G. A. Khan & K. Nath	8-3

M. Toichi & S. Fukushima, beat F. Ali & M. A. Khan

beat F. Khan & H. Singh

lost to G. A. Khan & K. Nath

Total: M.B.K. 60, K.I.T. 39.

REFEREES' MEETING

The postponed meeting of the Hong Kong Football Referees Association will be held at the Chaplain's Hut, Scandal Point, on Friday next at 6 p.m. Captain A. W. Austin, M.C., M.M., R.A., will give a lecture on "The Organization and Administration of Football."

Lee's tennis this season has hardly received the publicity it deserves, but the fact remains that in the opinion of many sound judges he is among the three most promising youngsters in the country, and it is conceivable that he will turn out to be the best of them all. He has a nice free style and a very fine forehand drive, which, at its best, is a very potent weapon of attack. Tennis Illustrated on H. G. N. Lee, who played for England at Murrayfield.

Football is too good a game to be played otherwise than in the cleanest possible way.—The Mayor of Coventry.

DOG RACING

SIR EDWIN STOCKTON'S PROTEST MISUSED CAPITAL

A protest against the squandering of money in investments on passing tendencies such as dog-racing was made by Sir Edwin Stockton in his address to the Commerce Society, at the London School of Economics.

Sir Edwin's address was entitled "Finance and Luxury," and he discussed the definition of a luxury trade, protesting against the assumption of certain Labour-Socialist speakers that such enterprises as artificial silk production were in the nature of semi-luxuries.

Reviewing recent statistics in regard to investments, Sir Edwin pointed out that in 1928 the aggregate of new issues was \$253,000,000. There was not much in any of the issues to which objection could be taken on the ground that they were luxury issues or over-development of unproductive undertakings. In 1927 there were signs of a tendency of an entirely different nature. The aggregate of new issues was \$315,000,000. There was a heavy fall in certain industrial shares, but nearly nine millions was raised for the artificial silk industry, 3½ millions for the cinema industry, and two millions for greyhound races.

While some of the new industrial ventures were sound, the large majority of the new enterprises which were mainly concerned with the amusement and so-called "luxury" trades had still to justify themselves. Gramophone concerns largely featured in the list, and so numerous were the new concerns formed to exploit this field that one might almost incline to the view that hitherto it had been grossly neglected.

The figures for 1928 showed that of 771 new issues there were:—
Artificial silk 18
Gramophone and allied 36
Film Theatres, cine-talkies 21
Greyhounds 9

"Possibly, as these represent only 79 out of 771," said Sir Edwin, "there is no urgent need to be unduly alarmed, though I am very far from saying that all were either necessary for advisable. Still, in one case at least, I think we have reached the limit of public issues—that of greyhound racing issues."

Labour and Luxuries
Coming to consider what was the correct definition of "luxury," Sir Edwin said that after all, personal gratification was by no means to be denounced if it could be exercised reasonably, and with affording any grounds of complaint by the rest of the community.

"I suppose," he observed, "some people would call luxuries the wearing of the dress clothes or the use of a hot-water bottle in one's bed, or perhaps if you have a fancy for silk pyjamas. But, after all, these are personal gratifications to which no reasonable exception whatever can be taken by anyone, since they can all be justified from the point of view of the greater comfort and fitness of the individual. We had better walk warily in attacking what we think to be luxury."

Sir Edwin quoted from a recent speech of Mr. William Graham, M.P., the Financial Secretary to the Treasury in the Labour Government, to the effect that much capital was definitely misdirected, and here was plenty of speculation in artificial silk and similar semi-luxury enterprise.

"While I entirely agree with Mr. Graham that much capital in this country is misdirected," said Sir Edwin, "I would like to point out in the first place the difficulties of generalisation. I notice that he only defines artificial silk as 'semi-luxury.' Is he aware that artificial silk has helped to save Lancashire in the great crisis in the cotton trade, and that already this year we have exported from Lancashire well over \$5,000,000 sterling worth of cotton and artificial silk piece goods?"

Agents of Civilisation.

"Who are we to say to other countries that these articles are 'semi-luxury,' and if we think they are, are we to desert from pandering to the tastes of others? If we are to adopt this line of policy we should very soon cease to export anything at all, except what I may

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call the lowest form of material in the simplest and most unassuming made-up article. Political leaders ought to know that the whole tendency of the trade is upward, and that if there were not this upward movement there would be no advance in civilisation at all. "We are often told that the Labour party, whatever are the criticisms one may make of it, has always stood for raising the standard of life, and if this means anything at all it means that people always aim at improving the conditions under which they live, and benefiting by the good things around them."

"I sometimes remember, when I see politicians denouncing things which presumably they do not like, of the couple of sentences in 'Twelfth Night,' which more than anything voice the sentiments of the common man and woman:—

"Dost thou think, because thou art virtuous, there shall be no more cakes and ale? Yes, by Saint Anne; and ginger shall be hot!" the mouth, too.

"Many people regard the 'luxury' trades, if you can so call them, as absolutely indispensable to the life of the nation. Some of them are amongst the greatest uplifting agencies which civilisation possesses, but no doubt, there is far too much money expended on certain aspects of them. Certainly there is far too much money thrown away in speculation, and far too much money wasted on what I may call passing tendencies. Anyone who has the interests of the country at heart must regret to see so much money squandered, for instance, on dog racing."

"It is quite true that there is far too much money expended upon certain forms of public activity, which, desirable enough in themselves, cannot be multiplied indefinitely with the hope of permanent profit and continuous well-being. Entertainment is one of them. It is true that the entertainment habits of the public are increasing, but those who consider that, because big profits have always been made in the cinema world, they will always continue to be made show to my mind, very optimistic judgment. Personally, I think that the entertainment industry as a whole should rationalise itself."

"The real reason for each one of us to learn," concluded Sir Edwin, "is that we must not allow the politician or the theorist to stampee us into unsound financial paths, and we ought not to be perturbed by passing manifestations. Remember, the so-called luxury of to-day may be the commodity of tomorrow."

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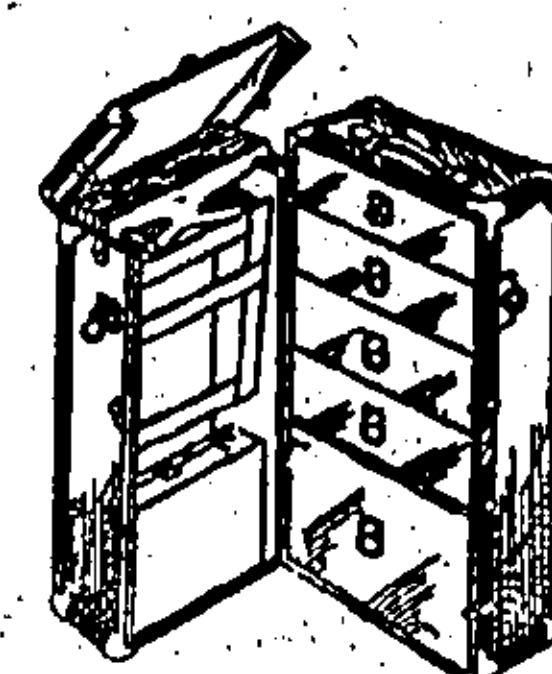
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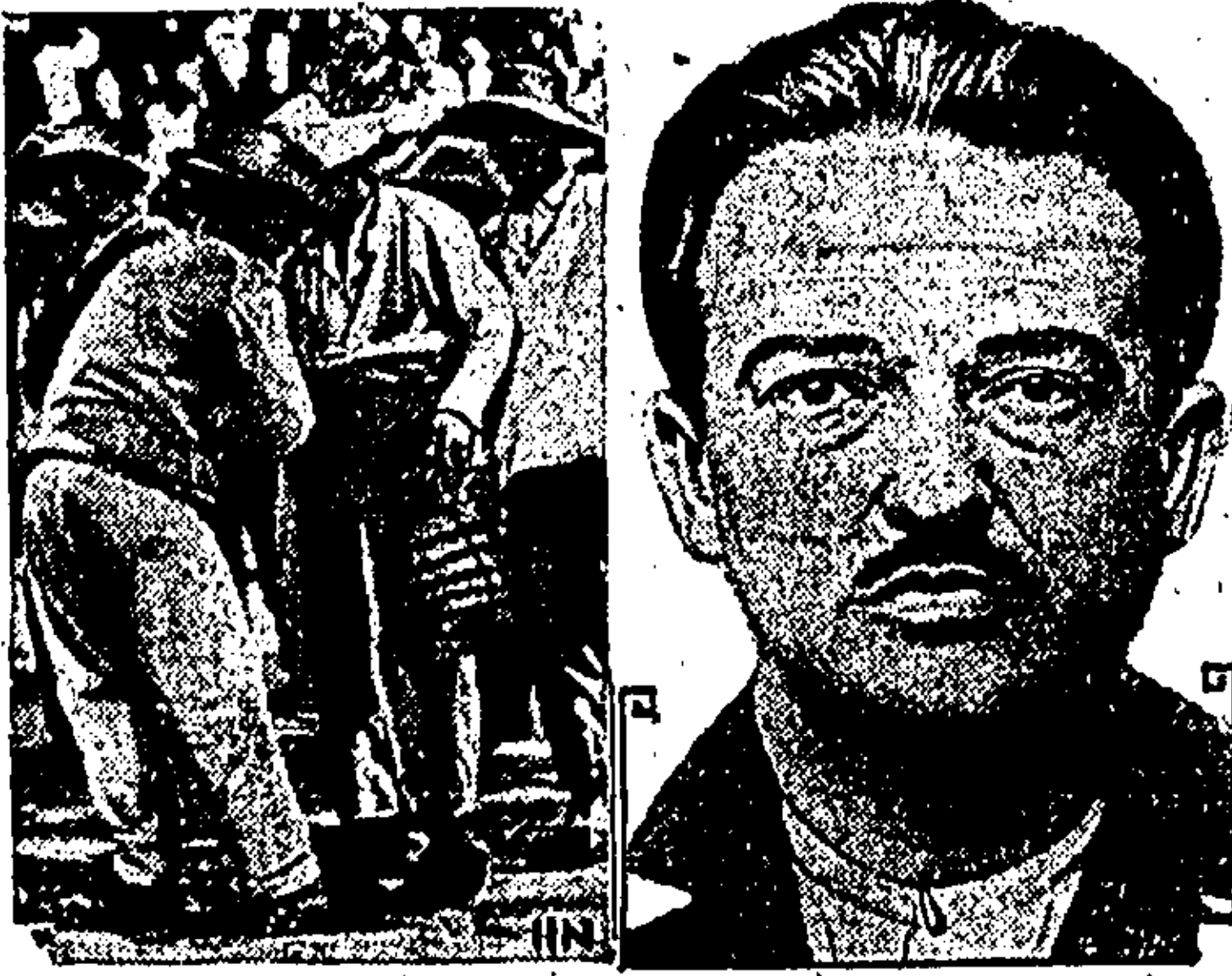


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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

At Devil's Island



Pierre Bougrat (right), war hero, physician and arch criminal, who paddled away from Devil's Island (the French penal settlement) and escaped into the Dutch Guiana jungle. Above, "Chicago May" Churchill, who helped Eddie Guerin to escape from the penal colony; below, convicts being searched upon their arrival at Devil's Island.

Barrymore and Dolores Costello



Here are John Barrymore, the lover of the screen, and beautiful Dolores Costello, in a scene in a recent picture co-starring them. This was long before they became engaged.

G\$500,000 Claim



Mr. John A. Hogland, "baking powder king," against a scandalous background, giving an impression of a swagman, little party, and right pretty Miss Benish Troy, a photographer who is to sue for G\$500,000. She alleges that Mr. Hogland threw her out of a taxi cab.

No Oil?



Loretta McCarver, who used to adorn the Broadway stage, is suing Mr. Harold Swisher, an oil magnate of Texas, for a divorce. She claims that he failed to support her in orthodox oil millionaire fashion.

Heiress to G\$1,500,000



Here is an exclusive portrait of Miss Inez Norton, the blonde beauty whom the Arnold Rothstein, king of the gamblers, intended to marry as soon as he obtained a divorce. To her he bequeathed one-sixth of his personal fortune, a bequest estimated conservatively at more than G\$1,500,000.

Ruby Keeler



Austria's Most Beautiful Back



Eminent Vienna artists and scientists selected the young person in the picture as the possessor of Austria's most beautiful back. Her name is Fraulcin Hilde Bird; she hails from Vienna, and she is in the films.

Airman's Domestic Trouble



At lower left, Bert Acosta, described as "Aviation's bad boy," against whose emotional inclinations his wife, Helen, shown at right with her two children, has complained. Above at right, Mrs. Dorothy Walker whom Mrs. Acosta is suing for G\$150,000 for "Alienation of affections balm." Upper left, Mabel Ball, the so-called Queen of Diamonds, who was to have accompanied Bert Acosta and Charles Levine on a flight from England to America.

From Films to Opera



The two pictures of Hope Hampton show her as she appeared in one of her theatrical roles and as she appeared in a similar role in a recent film. She is the wife of a millionaire husband and the

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Shanghai Yunnan 1.30 p.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow Dali Maru 5 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 10.
Fort Bayard, Holhow, Pakhol and
Haiphong Hanoi 8.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta. Parcels Noon.
Letters 1 p.m. Kutang 1.30 p.m.
Amoy Chekiang 2.30 p.m.
Swatow Hydrangea 2.30 p.m.
Straits Seistan 2.30 p.m.
Manila Empress of France 3.30 p.m.
Japan Kidderpore 5 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand
via Thursday Island—due Thurs-
day Islands, 22nd Jan. Parcels
(Jan. 10) 8 p.m. Registration
(Jan. 10) 4.15 p.m. Letters (Jan.
10) 5 p.m. TaiPing 11.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 11.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow Haiyang 1 p.m.
Amoy Fooksang 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,
E. & S. Africa, Egypt and
Europe via Marseilles—due Mar-
seilles, 10th Feb. K.P.O. Regis-
tration (Jan. 11) 4.30 p.m. Let-
ters (Jan. 12) 9 a.m. G.P.O. Re-
gistration (Jan. 12) 8.45 a.m.
Letters (Jan. 12) 9.30 a.m. Atsuta Maru

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NEW TAX COLLECTING MOVE

ORDER TO PAY

NATIONALISTS AT HANKOW AP-
POINT SPECIAL OFFICER

CHINESE AND FOREIGNERS

Hankow, Yesterday.
Advertisements appeared in local newspapers to-day ordering all Chinese and foreign residents of Special Administrative Districts Nos. 1 and 2 (the former German and Russian Concessions) to pay their taxes to a specially appointed Tax Collector of the Wu-Han branch of the Political Council of the Nationalist Government. — British Naval Wireless.

[Note: The taking over of the S.A.D.'s Nos. 1 and 2 by the Wu-Han Municipality has caused dissatisfaction. A considerable number of lots of property in these two districts belong to Britons and Japanese. Apparently, the local Chinese authorities intend to proceed to administer the districts. S.A.D. No. 3 is the ex-British Concession, now administered jointly by Chinese and Britons. The two remaining Concessions at Hankow are the Japanese and French.]

SERIOUS CHARGES

ALLEGED UTTERING OF FORGED NOTES

FURTHER PROCEEDINGS

Only four of the original thirteen Chinese, two women and eleven men arrested by the police on charges of conspiracy to utter forged \$50 (1923 issue) banknotes of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, were yesterday afternoon committed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell, to stand their trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Several of the defendants have been discharged at various stages in the case, and yesterday afternoon only one woman and four men appeared before the Court. The woman was discharged, the case against her being dropped having regard to her status as the wife of the first male defendant, who besides the charge relating to the local forged notes, had to face charges of possession of copper plates bearing engravings of a Central Bank of China \$10 note, and unlawful possession of a revolver without a licence.

Another charge against this man of possession of a printing outfit was dropped, but the confiscation of the plant was ordered.

Geneva, Yesterday. — Senator Elhu Root has agreed to serve on the committee of experts who are about to revise the statutes of the Court of International Justice at the Hague. Senator Root was a member of the first committee which drafted the original statutes. — Reuter.

HOLLAND AND DUTCH EAST INDIES

A LINKING UP

WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICE
OPEN TO PUBLIC

INTERESTING INAUGURATION

The Hague, Yesterday.
The Holland "Dutch East Indies" wireless telephone service has been officially opened to the public with speeches from the Ministers of Public Works and the Colonies, to which the Governor of the Dutch East Indies replied. — Reuter.

STILL FAIR

N. E. winds, fresh, fair, is the forecast until noon to-morrow.

The anti-cyclone is now central over S. E. Japan.

Another may be forming over the Upper Yangtze Valley.

A fresh monsoon will continue over the China Sea. The following telegram was received from the Manila Observatory at 12.30 p.m. to-day: 11.20 a.m. 8th: Typhoon in about 130 deg. Long. E. 60 deg. Lat. N. inclining northward.

AS FIELD OFFICER

FORMER TELEGRAPH OPERA-
TOR HELD BY MILITARY

SERIOUS CHARGES

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Pakkai, Kongmoon, Yesterday.
Dressed in the uniform of a field officer of the Nationalist Army, a man has been arrested and charged with several serious crimes. Local officials are of opinion that accused will pay the extreme penalty in a few days.

The allegations against him are that, posing as an officer, he held up several pedestrians, near the local railway station and robbed them. He was caught by the Volunteer Militia and identified as a former operator in the Pakkai telegraph office.

At the moment he is in the custody of the local military authorities.

Washington, Yesterday. — Mr. Hoover has completed his South American tour and has arrived at Old Point Comfort aboard the U.S.S. "Utah." — Reuter's American Service.

Marseilles, Yesterday. — A hangar of reinforced concrete at the aerodrome of Etang de Berre has collapsed, 4 workmen being killed and 4 injured. — Reuter.

THE SALVATION ARMY CLEAVAGE

MORE EXCITEMENT

POLICE TO BE STATIONED WHEN
COUNCIL MEET

THE GENERAL'S POSITION

London, Yesterday.
Police will be stationed at Sunbury-on-Thames on the occasion of the Salvationist High Council meeting, and none will be admitted without a permit.

The situation is very delicate in view of the possibility of an American "breakaway" if General Booth prevails.

The possibility of the General attending and speaking is not excluded and it is significant that a bulletin to-night (the first for some time) says that General Booth is progressing satisfactorily towards recovery, is now well, able to give decisions and advise on important matters.

Later.
It is officially announced that General Booth will not attend the meeting of the Salvation Army High Council, which opens to-morrow. — Reuter.

HAPPY LONDON

WEEK-END OF BLACK FOG,
RAIN AND SNOW

MOTOR ACCIDENT

London, Yesterday.
London this morning was enveloped in black fog. During the week-end, slight rain and snow froze on the road surfaces in many parts of the country, and motoring became dangerous; many minor accidents occurred. In parts of London, early this morning there were scenes which on a lesser scale resembled last winter's "silver thaw." — British Wireless Service.

BARON'S WIFE

STORY OF DEBTS AND
NEGLECT

MAN WHO SHOT PRINCESS

Vienna.—The English wife of Baron Felix von Gartner has been granted a divorce.

Gartner is awaiting trial on a charge of murdering Princess Zizi Mouheb, the beautiful daughter of an Egyptian ex-Minister whom he shot in Vienna's largest concert hall on November 3.

Last March he married the widow of Mr. Frederick MacGarvey, a petroleum merchant. His wife, whose maiden name was Norah Hamilton, started proceedings against him in July.

Before the marriage, it was stated, Mrs. MacGarvey, who was several years older than Gartner, had already given him more than £1,200 to pay his debts.

Turned Him Out
According to her advocate's statements in court, she had repeatedly postponed the marriage upon learning of further debts he owed, but he talked and wrote so beautifully and movingly that even her middle-aged stepson believed in his affection for her.

On September 15 she finally turned him out of her flat.

During the honeymoon at Cannes he completely neglected her, spending his time and her money gambling at Monte Carlo, and she went to London for two months.

When she returned to Vienna she found a new list of his debts and writs.

The Public Prosecutor has entered notice of appeal against the divorce on the grounds that the rich English widow wanted to become a baroness and Gartner needed money; that she knew of his debts and gambling habits; that writs against him for debts were no ground for divorce; and that an elderly husband could not be demonstratively affectionate like a younger man.

A nameboard inscribed "John 58/4," washed ashore at Sonderho, near Esbjerg, Denmark, is believed to come from an English ship probably lost in a recent storm.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 5/16.



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THE famous laugh team in a picture bigger and better, faster and funnier than ever before!
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In a splendid screen version of the famous stage play,
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At 5.15 & 9.20 Only.
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DANCING MASTER—TAXI DRIVER—BOXER—LOVER—HERO
—FAINTHEART—VICTOR! BUT ABOVE ALL, A FIGHTER
WITH A FIGHTER'S HEART!

REGINALD DENNY

IN
ON YOUR TOES

AT THE
STAR FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY
At 5.15 only.

PARTNER'S ACTION

(Continued From Page 1.)

more, but only four have been selected by the prosecution for the purpose of the case against him.

A New Chop

With regard to the removal of the defendant's management and authority in the firm generally, the firm, in order to safeguard itself, acquainted other firms doing business with it of the introduction of a new chop for the collection of money and that defendant was no longer authorised to collect in behalf of the firm. Letters were sent out for this purpose.

One result was that a Mr. Chan Chu-fong, who thought that he held a borrowing note from the firm for \$1,000, went round to the firm to find out if the note bore the chop of the firm.

At that time, said Mr. Jenkin, there were 11 chops in use by the firm. The chop on the borrowing note held by Chan Chu-fong was not one of the 11 chops, and was not the firm's chop and was for-

gery, and Chan Chu-fong was so informed, and he protested that as the note was given by the firm's manager it should be honoured by the firm.

Defendant's Arrest

When the firm refused to do this, Chan Chu-fong went to his solicitors, Messrs. d'Almeida & Mason, who wrote demanding payment. This letter was replied to by the firm's solicitors, Messrs. Woo & Nash, to the effect that the note was not theirs.

Then Chan Chu-fong searched out the defendant and told him of the firm's refusal to honour the note. Then defendant took away the forged note from Chan Chu-fong and gave him a personal note and a further two months' interest which was then due on the old note.

The next day the defendant was arrested by the police, and the forged note was found on his person when he was searched at No. 7 Police Station. Evidence was then called by Mr. Jenkin, and the case continued in the afternoon.